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TO

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REVEREND JOHN R. WRIGHT

AND TO

HIS GOOD FRIEND

FRANCIS OLIVER







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## FOREWORD

The following sketch of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Mendham, N. J. is based upon the official records found in the old books of which Miss Oliver has been Custodian, jointly with Mr. Aaron Apgar, since 1930. Miss Oliver has made no effort to extend the story by adding reminiscences, interpreting the development of the church, or by elaborating the part it has played in the lives of certain of the clergymen who have gone from Mendham to prominent work for Methodism in large city churches. She has endeavored to put into convenient form the most important facts, writing them as literally as brevity would permit. Miss Oliver's long association with her father, Francis Oliver, who was for many years a leader and Trustee of this church, and the many years of service she has herself given to its activities, have fitted her for this task.

Helen M. Wright

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MENDHAM, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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MARY ELIZABETH OLIVER

This sketch was written to be read on the one hundredth anniversary of the dedication of the first Methodist church building in Mendham, December 17, 1933.

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On the first page of the oldest Methodist church book in the possession of the Custodian of Records, one finds the title: "Record of Quarterly Meeting Conference for Mendham Station, N. J. Conference 1848." Turning over the page there is a fragmentary note under the heading, "Quarterly Conference Record, Sept. 1848," in which the writer indicates an effort to collect historical data and the need for a permanent Minute Book. He says:

"As none of the minutes of the Quarterly Conferences have heretofore been recorded, some of them are lost. Upon diligent inquiry I can find only what follows. The charge was set off from..."

Apparently the origin of the church society presented difficulties, if one may so judge from the sudden break in the narrative. According to a statement which is made later in the Minute Book the church was the outgrowth of a revival held in Millbrook during the winter of 1827/8. Local history and records of the following churches show that the early religious life of Dover, Millbrook, Walnut Grove (now Mt. Freedom), Mendham, Vealtown (now Bernardsville), Peapack, and New Vernon was strongly influenced by the work of the strong leaders who brought Methodism to America; but years passed before these small societies were able to erect their own Methodist church buildings, and became incorporate bodies. The rural congregations were grouped by the Annual Conference of the Methodist organization into convenient circuits and at first two ministers, or preachers, were appointed to each circuit. The worshippers gathered first at one and then at another meeting place, since the circuit usually included three or four meeting places, the pastors alternated.





In a handwriting different from that of the fragmentary note quoted, is penned an unsigned account of the early growth of the Mendham Methodist church. The following is a full quotation of it.

"The first Methodist preaching in Mendham was by our Father Lovell, a local preacher who formed a class and established a place of worship in a cotton factory belonging to Ingham Kinsey near Mendham at what is now called Ralstonville, preaching in the summer in the woods above the stone school house of that place.

"This class, or society, was taken into the Essex Circuit in the spring of 1829, and the Philadelphia Conference appointed Rev. David Bartine and Rev. Thomas Sovereign to the circuit, who preached alternately every two weeks at Mendham. These ministers were followed in 1830 by Benjamin Collins and John K. Shaw.

"In 1831 John Woolson and J. H. McFarland

In 1832 J. Woolson and J. Buckley

1833 James Ayars, Arthur Leet and Washington Thomas.

"It was during the ministry of James Ayars in 1833 that a church enterprise was started. After many ineffectual attempts to secure a lot in the village of Mendham being met with a most determined opposition the site, now occupied by the church, was offered by Mr. Elias R. Babbitt, and bought by the Society. A church edifice immediately being built.

"In 1834 the ministers appointed to the circuit, and who preached regularly in the church at Mendham, was Francis A. Morrell and Vincent Shephurd.

In 1835 F. A. Morrell and Benj. Day.

"In 1836 Mendham became a separate charge or station under the pastoral care of Rev. Chas. H. Whitecar.

"In 1837 Chas. H. Whitecar reappointed.

In 1838 Rodney Winans became its pastor.

In 1839 George F. Brown.

1840 Jos. Chattle and Edw. Hance.

In 1841 Wm. C. Perry





\*1842 & 3 Peter D. Day

In 1844 Richard Vanhorn

1845 Henry Trumbower

In 1846 Samuel B. Bugle

1847 & 8 Edw. Griffith

In 1849 & 50 Mordicai C. Stokes

In 1851 & 2 Robert S. Harris

1853 & 4 Robert B. Yard

1855 Henry M. Brown was appointed at Mendham charge.

\*In 1856 & 7 E. W. Adams was appointed at Mendham charge.

In 1858 & 9 S. Armstrong was our pastor.

In 1860 J. B. Barrett was appointed at Mendham.

In 1861 B. D. Parvin was appointed at Mendham.

In 1862 Chas. G. DeCamp appointed at Mendham.

1863, 1864, 1865 James Lawton appointed at Mendham.

\*In the year 1863 the parsonage was purchased, &  
In the year 1865 the church was improved &

In the year 1866 S. J. Morris appointed at Mendham.

" " " 1867 " " " " "

" " " 1868 " " " " " "

1869 C. A. Wambough, Pastor 2 years.

1870 " " "

1871 T. Stratton

1872 " " "



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1873 S. D. Russell  
 1874 " " "  
 1875 J. N. Keys  
 1876 " " "  
 1877 J. P. Macauley  
 1878 " " "  
 1879 H. M. Simpson  
 1880 J. R. Wright preacher in  
 1881 charge who labored  
 1882 earnestly and faithfully.  
 1883-1885 Olin B. Coit became pastor  
 1886-1888 Jessie S. Gilbert  
 1889-1891 Albert Cain  
 1892 F. S. Cookman  
 1893 William H. Morgan  
 1897 Ralph B. Urmey  
 1900 George Mooney"

Thus ends the earliest narration of the history of this church. A comparison of handwriting, dates, notes, etc. leads one to believe that the writer, and probably the author, was Daniel Millen who served as secretary from August 13, 1853 to December 16, 1860. The listing of the pastors after Daniel Millen's time has apparently been made by various persons.

Beginning again at the back of this book and working forward is a more detailed account of the church life in another hand, also unsigned. According to a reference in the text it appears to have been written about 1881 and is attributed to Robert Woodruff. Many personal notes, incidental details and opinions are included. Most of them have been omitted in the following compilation, made from the narration and from the Minutes of the Quarterly Conferences. Only such material has been used here as has seemed necessary to show the spirit of the church and its times.



1873 S. D. Furbush

1874 " " "

1875 " " "

1876 " " "

1877 " " "

1878 " " "

1879 " " "

1880 J. R. Whitcomb

1881 " " "

1882 " " "

1883 " " "

1884 " " "

1885 " " "

1886 William H. Morgan

1887 Ralph B. Gray

1888 " " "

1889 " " "

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1892 " " "

1893 " " "

1894 " " "

1895 " " "

1896 " " "

1897 " " "

1898 " " "

The second historical sketch begins:

"During the winter of 1827/8 the Lord visited his people at Millbrook, N. J. with a gracious revival. One Sabbath afternoon while the people were with one accord in one place, not in an upper room, but in the large hall of a farm house engaged in prayer, the Spirit of the Lord was poured out upon the people, and sinners were pricked to the heart and inquired what they should do to be saved. A bench was placed along the hall as an altar for penitents. A young man with dejected countenance and other tokens of a troubled hearts, was soon seen to approach the altar and there he offered himself a living sacrifice to God. He waited for the fire to come down in token of divine acceptance, but though as in the case of Daniel of old (for the young man's name was Daniel).....he left the altar unblest, but firmly resolved to seek till he found rest. He took his way home from the altar of Sacrifice like the publican with his eyes downward, but his heart uplifted to God, little heeding the untrodden snow that impeded his progress, as he traveled on with his companion. Jesus himself drew near and went with them, their hearts burned within them and he opened the young man's eyes and he beheld his Savior. Thus it pleased God to raise up one who was subsequently to introduce Methodism into Mendham, and who has been till this present time, 1881, associated with its history, in this place, guarding with jealous care the vine of the Lord's own right hand planting.

"Mendham was his native town and returning to it the following spring he invited Father Lovel, a local preacher, to come and declare the unsearchable riches of Christ to his Kinsman and neighbors,.....His first sermon was preached in the school house after this he held his meetings in the house of Mr. Ingham Kinsey at Ralstonville about one mile south of the village of Mendham. A protracted meeting was commenced in his house which resulted in the revival of his own heart and the conversion of a few others who were formed into a class under the leadership of Mr. Kinsey. Father Lovel occasionally visiting them and breaking to them the bread of life. At this time the Philadelphia Conference embraced all that territory now comprising the New Jersey and Newark Conferences. At the following session of that conference which was held in Philadelphia April 15th, 1829, Mendham was included in the Essex Circuit and Rev. D. Bartine and T. Sovereign were appointed to labour in this field."

many incidents are related of the pastors who served for the next three years.





"In 1832 Bro. Woolson was returned to the Circuit and with Jas. Buckley for his colleague-----. During this year the erection of a church was talked of. A meeting of the members was called to ascertain their views."

"There was much difficulty in finding a site for the church building. Finally,

"Mr. Elias R. Babbitt-----sent word to the committee that-----if the vacant lot by the side of his dwelling would answer the purpose, he would sell it to them; thus an open door was set before them and they immediately entered in and there have remained till this day."-----

"This year, 1833, the church was erected by Mr. A. B. Hudson, carpenter, and Mr. J. B. Chidister, Mason at a cost of about thirteen hundred dollars. The building was 34&46 feet, plastered inside and out, except the roof."

"Ingham Kinsey, Wm. T. Morrow, Daniel Millen, Chas. M. Kinsey and Simeon D. Emmons were Trustees, and Charles Thompson, Ingham Kinsey, Wm. T. Morrow and Thomas Knighton the building Committee.

"The corner stone was laid by Rev. E. S. Janes of Orange, N. J....

"The house was dedicated by Rev. Manning Force, P. E. of the Asbury District."

"In 1834 Rev. F. A. Morrell and Vincent Sheppard were appointed to Essex Circuit....."

About this time Mr. A. Dickerson, then a local preacher, came to the church to expound the Word of God. The historical writer tells of his having had a previous vision of the coming of a St. Paul who would preach on the text....

He was astonished when he went to the service to see the man of his vision in the pulpit and to hear him announce the text which had been given in the dream.

"In 1835 Bro. Morrell was returned to the circuit with Bro. Benjamin Day for his colleague. Bro. Day had just been admitted into full connexion. The name of the circuit was changed to Whippany."





"In 1836 Mendham became a station under the pastoral charge of Rev. Chas. H. Whitacar; who labored for two years on the charge with great acceptability and was universally loved by the people. A number were added to the church during his administration.

"The year 1838 brought another change of pastor to the flock which now numbered eighty four white members and five colored. Who were able to support their own preacher and give four dollars toward the support of worn out preachers etc. This was Bro. Winans first appointment. He called it his "Isle of Patmos."... He was released at the end of the year.----

"This was the first year of the N. J. Conference, it having met with the Philadelphia conference for the last time in Philadelphia April 12th 1837.\* In 1838 Mendham and Peapack were connected with Rev. J. H. Brown for their pastor.

"In 1840, Mendham, Peapack and Flanders were united and Rev. J. Chattle and Edmund Hance were appointed to labour in this field----- In 1841 Rev. Wm. E. Perry was appointed to Mendham and Peapack. This year the church enjoyed a gracious revival in spiritual things and the people having a mind to work repaired the Temple. They brought down the high look of the old fashioned high pulpit. The interior of the church was painted for the first time. The window panes being painted green on the inside.

"In 1842, Rev. P. D. Day became the shepherd of the Mendham and Peapack flock, he fed them for 2 years leading them out and in and watching over them as one who must give account to God. During his stay here he opened an appointment on Bernardsville Mountain, what has grown to be a separate appointment with a church and Minister of their own.

Bro. Day married a Presbyterian lady while here.

"In 1844 Rev. R. Vanhorn became the Pastor, he remained only one year. Political difference between Pastor and some of the leading members hindered the work of saving the souls greatly. Cooney Clay and the Fox of Lindenwald were more absorbing topics than Jesus and him Crucified, and the calling and election of souls.

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\* Note - The Annual Conference boundaries were changed by the General Conference of 1836 according to the Methodist Discipline of that year. the change did not take effect until later.





In the Minutes of 1850 one finds references to the change in the name of the neighboring village of Veal Town, now know as Bernardsville. This interesting page is copied from the records:

(The record states:) "The fourth Quarterly Meeting Conference was held at the parsonage for Mendham and Veal Town charge March 28th 1850. The Presiding Elder not present Rev. M. C. Stokes, preacher in charge, took the chair....."

Present

John S. Adams

Henry Devoe

John S. Quimby

Isaac W. Keeler

Monies received from Mendham	\$16.00
Do Do Do Veal Town	32.75
	<hr/> \$48.75
In the hands of Mr. Stokes for elder	7.25
Paid M. C. Stokes	<hr/> \$41.50

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The first quarterly Meeting Conference for Mendham and Veal Town, now called Bernardsville charge, was held at Mendham June 16th 1850.

Next quarterly meeting to be at Bernardsville September 21st & 22nd 1850.

In 1851, Rev. R. S. Harris was appointed to this field of labour. He immediately set himself to work to stir up the people to repair their church again. They went to work at it with a will and succeeded in raising on subscription about \$700.00 they expended this and as much more in enlarging the church, completing the basement, putting blinds on the windows, and adding a belfry to the church. Bro. Harris laboured with great tact in collecting money. He called on one man who immediately gave him five dollars, but before Bro. Harris left him he willingly subscribed twenty five dollars. This is but one of the examples of his faculty for procuring money for such purposes. On the morning of the day fixed for the rededication of the church there was about seven hundred dollars to be raised to pay the whole expense.





"He called a meeting of all the members whom he expected would give anything more or whom he thought able to give more, before the morning services and laid the plan of the days operation before them.-----The dedication sermon was by Bishop Janes, who, before he was Bishop, laid the corner stone. Rev. S. Vansant preached in the afternoon and Rev. R. S. Arndt in the evening. The result of the days labour was that those brethern, who in the morning thought they could give only ten or fifteen dollars more, tribled and quadrupled their amounts, and they found an footing up that they had a balance on hand after providing for all liabilities.-----"

"Bro. Harris was succeeded in 1853 by the Rev. R. B. Yard, who labored for two years with success spiritually and temporally. During his advent a bell was purchased for the belfry and put in its place, and though that soon became useless because of its uncertain sound another occuppies its place to call the people to the house of prayer. -----"

"In 1858, Rev. S. Armstrong, succeeded Bro. E. W. Adams.-----Bro. Armstrong was a man of great natural ability, of great mother wit, though not a college learned man. He was much liked by the people.-----"

"Methodism in Mendham has grown from a small class in 1828 to be a society with a membership of 177 in a church property value at \$3,500, with a debt of only \$400.00.-----"

"The Presbyterian church too, has prospered and the two denominations live together amicably. The ministers of both churches are better supported than was the Presbyterian minister alone before the Methodist church was erected. Many of the fathers of both churches have passed away and in the joys of heaven have forgotten their differences on earth.

"Let the living learn by the history of the past that Christians may honestly differ and yet love one another and labour together, in their respective fields, for the Salvation of hundreds who are ready to perish."

"The connection established with Bernardsville sometime during Rev. Peter D. Day's pastorate (1842-1843) ended in the spring of 1852. The Minutes of the Quarterly Conference held March 6th 1852 give the reports for both the Bernardsville and Mendham churches.





But the next record states:- "First quarterly meeting for Mendham and New Vernon charge held in New Vernon, June 12th 1852." The union of these charges was discontinued after a year. Some quotations from the Minutes of March 8th 1858, during Rev. E. W. Adams pastorate show further church activities.

"It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to call on Bro. A - S - to ascertain why he did not attend our public meetings. It was carried that Daniel Millen be that, committee." The call was effective, and the delinquent returned to church services.

"Soon after it was moved and carried that the stewards rent a house for the preacher." The first parsonage was purchased in the year 1863 for the sum of \$800. It is said to have been constructed of dry goods boxes. This house is the one owned in 1928 by Mrs. C. A. Reed on West Main St. It has been much changed and improved since the church sold it.

Rev. James Lawton became pastor in the spring of 1863. Mendham was then affiliated with Walnut Grove (now called Mt. Freedom.)

"Minutes of the first Quarterly Conference for Mendham and Walnut Grove charge held in M. E. Church. May 30th 1863."

Reading these minutes one comes to this interesting item:-

"Report of the Estimating Committee for the support of the Pastor for the ensuing year, as follows,  
 \$300.00 for Mendham ( Making four  
 100.00 for Walnut Grove( hundred dollars."

It is interesting to note the importance attached to the church schools and the pastor's report catechizing the children. The library played a large part in the church school. There were these two Schools on the charge. One at the Grove, the other at Mendham. The former was closed for the winter season. The latter was under the superintendency of Brother G. DeGroot and was in a prosperous condition, having just replemished its library with an addition of 86 fresh volumes costing \$30.50. That was in 1846.





At the "Quarterly meeting" Feb. 12, 1866; "the trustees beg leave to report that at the commencement of the year we are owing \$100.00 on the parsonage. During the summer we have expended \$1091.00 on the improvements of the church; \$941.00 has been paid, the remainder \$250.00, a part of it is in the treasury and the rest is subscribed but not yet over: but we expect it to be by the end of the year, when we shall be free from debt."

Rev. S. J. Morris in his report at the Quarterly Conference comments on the improvements. "The people appear to have done well in so beautifully and tastefully repairing the church and paying for it, but while we can speak well, for the attention given to the exterior, we, at the same time think that the interior or spiritual things of the church have been very much neglected. Perhaps not more than one out of ten attend Class, in fact for some months past, class meeting has been only a nominal thing. We trust God will infuse new life into the Church and quicken it by his Holy Spirit and then give us a good revival."

Some time later this pastor reported to Rev. Charles Larew, Presiding Elder, at a Quarterly Conference:- "The charge, especially Mendham, is being blessed of God. We are improving much in spiritual things. God has poured out his Spirit and over 40 have made a profession of Christ. The brethren labor peacefully and harmoniously together with their pastor in promoting the Redeemer's cause."

During these years Bishop E. S. Janes often preached in Mendham Methodist Church. It was he who had laid the corner stone of the first building in Mendham and had rededicated the church when it was enlarged in 1851. The Bishop's summer home was on the site of the Somerset Inn opposite the present Ballantine estate.

Among the peculiarities of the early church administration one notices that it was not unusual to have two days for Quarterly Conference meetings. One, or part of one, was given to business, on the other religious services were held. Churches were few in number and the Elders were better able to give time to the spiritual quickening of the small societies than in later years. Even the hour for holding the Quarterly Conference is rather startling; it was "Monday morning, April 26th 1869 at 8 o'clock."





After December 1870 there is no reference to Walnut Grove as being connected with Mendham.

The first mention of women in attendance at a Quarterly Conference is made in the Minutes of Feb. 26, 1873.

"On tracts (committee)

Sister G. W. DeGroot (Mrs. George W. DeGroot)  
E. A. Crane

On parsonage (committee)

Sister Huffman (Mrs. Peter.....)  
" J. Reynolds (Mrs. John.....)  
" De Groot (Mrs. Geo. W.....)  
Bryant Bowman"

One finds the Ladies' Aid Society mentioned in the minutes of January 17th 1874, for the first time."

During Rev. C. A. Wambaugh's pastorate the church seems to have prospered. "During the year, peace has prevailed within the borders of our Zion, and a degree of prosperity has attended us. We have improved the parsonage property and got furniture in the house."

During Rev. J. N. Keys stay in Mendham we read:-  
"Bro. Keys, Pastor, and Bro. Crane were appointed a committee to wait upon delinquents and warn them of their course and inform them of the consequences."

At a later meeting this same pastor reported:  
Condition of the Church as usual not awake to her duty spiritually or financially."

Rev. J. P. Macauley, (1877-1879) gives a more encouraging report: "A general view of the condition of the Charge reveals the encouraging fact that Mendham is going forward. The interest of the congregation and prayer meeting seem to be increasing. The Sunday School seems flourishing."

At another conference we read, "Committee on Church music report all things satisfactory. Trustees made a verbal report estimating church and furniture \$3000. Parsonage and furniture \$1000. No insurance on any of church property."

In the minutes for June 7th, 1879; one reads:-  
"The catechism is taught by Pastor. The Pastor does not occupy the parsonage for sufficient reasons to himself. The parsonage is to let. The music church is reported satisfactory and is without expense to the church."





"The Presiding Elder read resolutions, from the papers submitted at the Annual Conference in reference to the Sabbath School and worldly amusements."

At the Quarterly Conference February 21st, 1880, after committees were appointed and reports received- "A motion was made to sell the parsonage but it was lost." The house was not a comfortable place to live in; it was nearly a mile distant from the church, and was in other ways inconvenient. Yet the church was loathe to let it go. A committee was appointed to examine the parsonage to see what repairs were necessary. Brethern Millen, Crane, VanDyke, and Woodruff were to report at a meeting of the joint board.

Then began the vigorous pastorate of Rev. John R. Wright, in the spring of 1880. He came to Mendham as one of the newer members of the Newark Conference. He immediately had the parsonage put in good condition and entered upon his duties as pastor with enthusiasm. In one of his early reports one finds the statement: "One Sunday School on charge. School in good condition but small in numbers on account of the few children in town. Have held one children's service."

One of the most important events of this period was the incorporation of the Methodist Society as a church. At a properly called meeting of the congregation on April 13, 1881, five Trustees were elected: Francis Oliver, Amasa Leonard, E. C. Blazure, John Peppard and J. Briant Bowman. They took as their incorporate name: The Mendham Methodist Episcopal Church. This action was recorded at the Morris County Court House Oct. 15, 1881. (See Book B. R.S.-134).

The estimating committee had fixed the salary at \$500 and voted, if possible later, to make it \$600 in addition to donations. The next year the salary was raised to \$700, an indication of the church's increased prosperity. The records show that improvements were also made in the appearance of the church property; in the side walk, the fences about the church, and the parsonage were painted. The fence was the gift of "Sister Marinda De Groot, "wife of George DeGroot, the parents of the much beloved physician of this town Dr. George S. DeGroot.

One day a good neighbor from one of Bernardsville's estates, Mr. George I. Seney, drove over to Mendham to attend the Sunday morning service. He became so impressed with the need for interior improvements that he engaged a painter and decorator to make renovations at his expense.





The sale of the old parsonage was precipitated by the death of the much beloved member of the church, Daniel Millen. The story of the building of the new parsonage is written in the records. as follows:

"Minutes of the Third Quarterly Conference held at the parsonage, Jan. 21, 1882. Presiding Elder J. H. Knowles in the chair; the pastor, and the following members of the Official Board present: Brothers Oliver, Blazure, Peppard, and Leonard. The pastor's report states that Daniel Millen, the young man "who introduced Methodism into Mendham" has passed to his reward.

Then is added: "Brother Daniel Millen, one of our Stewards and an old standard bearer of this church, in his will left Five Hundred Dollars as a perpetual legacy to the church, the interest each year to be applied to the salary of the pastor, so long as the preacher is appointed by the annual conference."

In May of this year, after the necessary legal terminology there follows the statement:- "We have invested said legacy in the new parsonage, erected upon the lot adjoining the church and we the trustees and our successors, shall consider the legacy as the first claim against the property, and will endeavor to execute the spirit of Bro. Millen's will in paying yearly the interest to the stewards upon the legacy entrusted to us and our successors in office."

Then follows a note from that prince of Recording Stewards:- "Bro. and Sister Millen done much for the church in their life time, as I can testify, being intimately acquainted with them for forty years. Would that I were as useful and good as they were. Robt. Woodruff, 71 years old."

At this time the Trustees, with the help of Francis Oliver, a prominent resident and supporter of the church, succeeded in selling the parsonage. The report at the January 21st meeting (1882) states: "The parsonage has been sold for thirteen hundred Dollars, and we are now preparing to build another upon the lot by the church." This land had been purchased from the heirs of William Babbitt. When the ground was broken for the building, pastor Wright held down the plow beam while his very good friend, Mr. Oliver, who has been called "the gentlemanly affable Oliver," drove the horses. The building was completed and furnished before the fall of 1882. It was a substantial white frame house which stood for nearly 45 years as first built. About 1926 it was shingled.





Along with the material growth of the church came a broader, social vision, a desire to unite with the wide-spreading movement to abolish the use of the intoxicating liquors. On Jan. 21, 1883 the Board of Trustees and Stewards met and passed resolutions recorded as Follows: "On motion it was resolved to sign a petition as a board to the honorable Senate and Assembly of the State of New Jersey for an amendment to the Constitution in regard to the prohibiting the manufacture and sale of any distilled or fermented liquors, as beverages, within the jurisdiction of this state."

From 1883 to 1886 Rev. Olin B. Coit was our pastor. Under his ministration many new members were added to the church. The verbal report of the pastor for the Sunday School Superintendent states that more teachers are needed; attendance of the children is very good. A bit of local coloring is given in the motion that "a vote of thanks be given Brother Burnett for his kindness in furnishing posts and rails for church yard for hitching posts."

Under date of November 23, 1883, this motion is found:- "Moved that a committee be appointed to take the matter in hand to build some sheds for the comfort of horses when they are brought to church."

It was during Mr. Coit's term that an additional piece of property on the west side of the old church was purchased.

There was a small house on the property and many of the officials were opposed to incurring the expense. There were three or four who approved and among them was Mr. Oliver. When the time to cast the decisive<sup>vote</sup> the Trustees ~~vote~~ met, but Francis Oliver was absent. They did not wish to vote without him so the Board waited.

It is said that Mr. Coit went to the door, and looking down the street saw a familiar horse coming at a gallop. It was Mr. Oliver driving his favorite mare, "Pet". From the buggy he called, "Blanket her, Dominie!" Then he jumped and rushed into the meeting. "Gentlemen we can buy the property! I have \$300.00 to pay on it now!" He had been to New York calling on Luther Kountze, George I. Seney and other wealthy men, seeking funds for this purpose. This property was needed, indeed, when the new church structure was built in 1893.

In 1886 one who was known throughout the Newark conference as the "Boy Preacher," Jesse S. Gilbert, came to Mendham. In his first report to the Quarterly Conference he says,- "I find a kind and united people, a very neat church nearly free from debt, and the various departments of the work in good order."



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The Quarterly Conference held May 19, 1887, reports: "During the past quarter a new and very beautiful suit of pulpit furniture, consisting of seven pieces, 5 chairs, pulpit and stand have been purchased at a cost of \$81.60."

"During the past quarter, the flooring of the aisles has been raised to the level with that of the rest of the church and the entire floor also pulpit and altar, covered with a beautiful ingrain carpet costing \$152.50."

"A very handsome pipe organ has been purchased and put up and is now ready for use," Mr. Gilbert adds in his report.

In February 1888, the recorder speaks of "the exceedingly cold weather and frequent storms interfering very much with the services." This was just before the "Great Blizzard," and the severe cold and deep snows of January and February of that year were storms to remember.

From 1889 to 1891 Rev. Albert Cain faithfully served our church. It was during his pastorate that the Epworth League was organized.

He also conceived the idea that a new church was needed: We read from pastor's report Feb. 1st, 1891, "Secured a subscription of \$1046.00 for improving church property." In another report:- "Secured \$2887.00 on subscription for new church."

Rev. Frank S. Cookman's pastorate was brief (1892-1893). The salary was made \$1000.00 for the first time.

Preparations to build the new church continued. The taste and the size of the congregation had outgrown the old house of worship. A paragraph in the minutes of the first Quarterly conference held June 4th, 1892, tells us:- "On motion the quarterly conference advises the trustees to secure a place to worship while we build a new church."

Preparations for building were being carried forward. The men of the church hauled the stone from a quarry on the farm of one of the official members, Mr. Wm. J. Bedell. Each man promised to haul the number of loads of stone he felt able to do. Mr. T. Quimby, acted as "yard foreman," directing the placing of each load. He received no pay. It was his contribution to the church.





When Rev. Wm. H. Morgan came in the spring of 1893, he preached in the First Presbyterian Chapel building (afterwards the High School).\* The Work progressed rapidly and the corner stone was laid June 8th, 1893, by Bishop Andrews. The church was dedicated,\* Sunday Dec. 17, 1893 by Bishop Ninde. Dr. Morgan labored faithfully and hard on this charge. The work completed by him is a reminder of a great strong soul, well beloved by the community.

An item of interest that year, was the announcement that in spite of the fact that our people had given so nobly, our benevolent collections should not be neglected. Our missionary collection that year exceeded that of the previous year."

Dr. Charles Larew, who had been Presiding Elder of this district from 1866 to 1870, moved his residence to Mendham about this time. He lived in the house now owned by Mr. Harold A. Price. His broad Christian experience, extending over so many years, made him a "Father in Israel" to the younger ministers serving the church. He was called Home late in 1902.

After leaving Mendham Dr. Morgan became pastor of Central church, Newark, New Jersey in 1897, his successor in Mendham was Rev. Ralph B. Urmey, who remained until 1900. During his pastorate the parsonage was redecorated and much needed furniture placed in it.

The minutes for May 19th, 1898, state:- "Junior League for the instruction, of children is in contemplation. At the next Quarterly Conference one finds the Junior League had been organized. This organization continued for fifteen or twenty years, giving good week-day religious instruction to the children.

Dr. Urmey did an excellent work for this charge. He was gifted in his appeal to young people. The pastor's report at the Fourth Quarterly Conference, Feb. 12, 1900 tells us:- "The spiritual state of the charge is good. The year has passed in quiet and harmony. The people have supported the church loyally. The pastor and family have been treated with unfailing kindness, and feel themselves grateful for the love and help of the members. The year closes with the blessing of God upon us."

\* Wilbur S. Knowles, Orange, N.J. - Architect.





Dr. Urmy left us in 1900 and was followed by Rev. George Mooney. At the first Quarterly Conference we read: "The report of the pastor indicates a wholesome condition of all departments of the church work." A verbal report submitted by Dr. Larew, a retired Methodist preacher, spoke with feeling of the affection shown him by the people.

At that same meeting, "On Motion it was ordered that E. W. Elliott and Bryant Bowman should be constituted a committee to see about improvement of road and walk in front of Church."

The flagstone walks, the first permanent ever in Mendham, were completed very soon after. The church record shows: "Early in the year we undertook the renovation of our church. The walls and ceilings were re-kalsomined and redecorated; the woodwork and pews were re-varnished. A mixer was added to our gas machine. Thanks to the valuable help of the Ladies' Aid Society, a handsome new carpet was purchased and laid. The entire improvement cost approximately \$730.00. About \$250.00 of this was raised by the Ladies' Aid Society; the balance by popular subscription. During the interval of renovation our services were held in the Township Hall."

A little farther on in the report one reads:- "An aggregate of about 10 weeks of special services have been held by the church. For 3 weeks last fall we joined with our brethern of the Presbyterian Church in an effort to awaken the entire community.---Again during the week of Prayer we united and held meetings of great helpfulness and profit. In addition we carried on our meetings in our own church; for 6 consecutive weeks, receiving therefrom a great spiritual uplift." Then follows commendations for each Department of the church.

Mr. Mooney was gifted in his ability to conduct evangelistic services. He was a splendid pastor believing that the personal contact was most important. He left a united church.

In the spring of 1904 Rev. Frederick J. Hubach became our pastor. It is recorded of him by his successor, "The retiring pastor had brought the church up to a high plane, and we took up a work that was ready to move right ahead."

It was at that time a bathroom was installed in the parsonage. The financial statement for the fiscal year ending Mar. 31, 1906, showed all departments of the church in a prosperous condition.





Dr. Hubach emphasized the value of the Junior League as an opportunity for week-day training in religious education.

Rev. Perry H. Murdick became pastor of the church 1906-1908. In his first report to the Quarterly Conference, June 23, 1906, he paid a tribute to the Mendham church saying that he spoke with feeling of <sup>some</sup> fear, and yet with much pride, when recalled the men he was following. He was proud that he had been entrusted to care for a church known to have been so loyal to all its pastors.

One finds a typed copy of resolutions attached to the record book, "Resolved that we endorse the action of the District Stewards at their meeting held May 8th, 1907, requesting that the first and second Quarterly Conferences be held together, and likewise the third and fourth Quarterly Conferences be held together, in order that the Presiding Elder may have time to promote the interests of Methodism on the District, according to the plans of the Newark District Church Society." We who have wondered why there are no longer four conferences held each year, have our answer in the above resolution.

Pastor's report Nov. 14, 1907, shows:- "Some improvements have been made in the Church, the organ having been raised up and turned about, and a choir loft built which greatly improves the looks of the church and the sound of the organ. This was accomplished at a cost of about \$50.00, outside of the gifts of brass rod and curtain and work, and all paid without costing the church a penny in extra solicitation or collection."

During Mr. Murdick's term a Sunday School was opened in the stone school house at Ralston with Mr. Peter De Mott superintendent and Miss Jessie M. Willett secretary and treasurer. This school house stands on the Peapack road near its junction with the Chester road, opposite the Ralston post office. It is more convenient for the families living at the foot of the hill.

In the spring of 1908, energetic, resourceful Rev. C. J. Hoyt became our pastor. At his first Quarterly Conference he urged upon his official members, the value of the personal touch with our young people. He wanted our Church to be call "The Friendly Church." He chose as the Church hymn Mattbie Babcock's great song "Be Strong."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt labored untiringly for the church and community. Mr. Hoyt was much of an evangelist. Many united with the church during his pastorate.





Conference 1912, sent to our church as pastor, Rev. Frank Chadwick. During Mr. Chadwick's pastorate the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized.

In 1913, the people of the Hilltop Presbyterian church remodeled the interior of their building. Mr. Chadwick's report to the 3rd Quarterly Conference Nov. 9, 1913 tells of our joint worship with them.

"Beginning with the first Sunday in July, union services with the Presbyterian people have been held in our church.-----"Blessed indeed has been the fellowship. The first service was the sacrament of the Holy Communion and was a memorable occasion. As Presbyterians and Methodists knelt together at the same altar, the Holy Spirit moved upon all hearts. The good effect of this union is already preceptable among the churches and in the town."

In regard to the Sunday School he reports:-  
"Rally Day was observed in connection with Missionary Day, on the last Sunday of October. The pastor had arranged and instructive and attractive program which was carried out to the letter."

October 29, 1914, Mr. Chadwick's report then sounds as if it might have been dated 1933; it states:-  
"Business depression and the uncertainty of the indirect result upon our country of the European war, have caused us to defer the repairing and renovation of the church building until some more propitious time."

In the fall of 1914 there was a nation wide appeal for help for the Belgian sufferers. Our church responded immediately "with a box of \$30.00 worth of brand new goods for the Christmas ship."

That year the ladies' Aid Society pledged to raise \$1000 to be given the Official Board, that they might add said amount to the repair fund for use on the church.

Dr. W. S. McCowan came to us in the spring of 1915. Although Dr. McCowan's pastorate lasted but one year, he endeared himself to the church and community. The records show that Mrs. McCowan, a musician of note "has taken charge of the Musical Department of the church." Their daughter died shortly after they came to Mendham and lies in Hilltop cemetery, as do also Dr. and Mrs. McCowan. Dr. McCowan went home this month, December 1933.





From 1916 to 1919, Rev. Charles E. Collerd, was pastor.

During the summer of 1916, the work of remodeling the interior of the church was started, and the church reopened in the late fall. Our Presbyterian friends invited our congregation to worship with them on the hill. For four or five months we enjoyed the same delightful fellowship we had experienced in 1913.

The improvements consisted in installing electric lighting instead of the gas that had been used since the dedication, New carpet, cushions for pews, curtain, as well as redecorating and revarnishing.

When the "Centenary movement" was established by the National Board of Home and Foreign Missions, the Church at Mendham subscribed generously. This was during Collerd's ministration.

From 1920 to 1923 Rev. James Jamison was our pastor.

Calls from other lands as a result of the war and the famine in China received generous support in Christmas offerings, the children of Europe and the near East being beneficiaries. There was a normal growth during this pastorate.

Rev. Gustave Gorisse came to this charge in 1923 and remained with us until he retired in 1927. He then moved to his home in Morristown. Mr. Gorisse was a very spiritual man, and labored for the spiritual well being of the church. It was during his pastorate that the parsonage was shingled and improved.

The year 1927 - brought an energetic young man to our church, Rev. Machette Y. Poynter, who remained until the spring of 1931. Mr. Poynter laid a good foundation for further progress. He was much hampered in many ways since his pastorate saw the first years of the worldwide depression. He was a good pastor and friend.

Conference 1931 sent to us Rev. Alfred E. Willett and his wife; both interested in the larger community work.

The year 1933 gave us a surprise. Rev. John L. Morgan - had been a very small child when our present church edifice had been dedicated, and his father, Dr. Wm. Morgan was our pastor. Rev. John Morgan came to us as Shepherd of this flock. He is already gaining a large place in the esteem of the community. May God bless his labors with us.





A Complete List of Methodist Pastors  
1829 - 1935

- 1828 - Father Lovell, a local preacher
- 1829 - Rev. David Bartine and Rev. Thomas Sovereign
- 1830 - Benjamin Collins and John K. Shaw
- 1831 - John Woolson and J. H. McFarland
- 1832 - J. Woolson and J. Buckley
- 1833 - James Ayars, Arthur Leet and Washington Thomas
- 1834 - Francis Morrell and Vincent Shephurd
- 1835 - F. A. Morrell and Benj. Day
- 1836 - Charles H. Whitecar
- 1837 - Chas. H. Whitecar
- 1838 - Rodney Winans
- 1839 - George F. Brown
- 1840 - Jos. Chattle and Edw. Hance
- 1841 - Wm. C. Perry
- 1842-1843 Peter D. Day
- 1844 - Richard Vanhorn
- 1845 - Henry Trumbower
- 1846 - Samuel B. Bugle
- 1847-1848 Edw. Griffith
- 1849-1850 Mordcai C. Stokes
- 1851-1852 Robert S. Harris
- 1853-1854 Robert B. Yard
- 1855 - Henry M. Brown
- 1856-1857 E. W. Adams





1858-1859 S. Armstrong  
 1860 - J. B. Barrett  
 1861 - B. D. Parvin  
 1862 - Chas. G. DeCamp  
 1863-1865 James Lawton  
 1866-1868 S. J. Morris  
 1869-1870 C. A. Wambough  
 1871-1872 F. Stratton  
 1873-1874 S. D. Russell  
 1875-1876 J. N. Keys  
 1877 - 1878 J. P. Macauley  
 1879 - H. M. Simpson  
 1880-1882 John R. Wright  
 1883-1885 Olin B. Coit  
 1886-1888 Jesse S. Gilbert  
 1889-1891 Albert Cain  
 1892 - Frank S. Cookman  
 1893-1896 William H. Morgan  
 1897-1899 Ralph B. Urmey  
 1900-1903 George Mooney  
 1904-1905 Frederick J. Huback  
 1906-1907 Perry H. Murdick  
 1908-1911 Chester J. Hoyt  
 1912-1914 Frank Chadwick  
 1915 - Winfield S. McCowan  
 1916-1919 Charles E. Collard  
 1920-1922 James Jamison





1923-1926	Gustave Gorisse
1927-1930	Matchett Y. Poynter
1931-1932	Alfred E. Willett
1933-1934	John L. Morgan
1935-	Samuel C. Bilbrough





## PRESIDING ELDERS OR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Under whose Supervision the Ministers of the  
Mendham M. E. Church Served

1833 -	Rev. Manning Force (Asbury District)
1849 -	Rev. George F. Brown and Rev. Isaac Winner
1851 -	Rev. C. A. Lipencott or (Lippincott)
1855 -	Rev. Isaac Winner
1857 -	Rev. P. M. Tuttle
1860 -	Rev. C. S. Vancleve
1862 -	Rev. A. L. Brice
1863 -	Rev. C. S. Vancleve
1866 -	Rev. Charles Larew
1870 -	Rev. M. E. Ellison
1874 -	Rev. S. H. Smith
1877 -	Rev. R. Vanhorne
1880 -	Rev. J. W. Fitzgerald and Rev. J. H. Knowles
1884 -	Rev. A. L. Brice
1888 -	Rev. S. Van Benschoten
1894 -	Rev. J. P. Hammond
1900 -	Rev. Warren L. Hoagland
1906 -	Rev. J. M. Meeker
1908 -	Rev. George W. Smith
1909 -	Rev. Jesse L. Hurlbut
1914 -	Rev. George G. Vogel





1920 - Rev. Fred Clare Baldwin  
 1926 - Rev. Archey D. Ball  
 1932 - Rev. J. Edgar Washabaugh  
 1933 - Rev. Paul G. Dennis

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NOTE. In the Methodist Church it is customary for the Presiding Elder, later known as District Superintendent, to make an annual report in which he relates the progress of the churches under his supervision. It is, therefore, necessary to know the name of the Presiding Elder in order to find the historical record of any important event in a church. The annual reports of the Elders are published in the official organ of Methodism called the Minutes of the Annual Conference.

The boundaries of the Annual Conferences are defined in the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church which is published after each session of the General Conference, every four years. The Newark Conference was taken off from the New Jersey Conference in 1856; the New Jersey Conference was taken from the Philadelphia Conference in 1836. Mendham was therefore in the Philadelphia Conference until 1836, in the New Jersey Conference until 1856, and is now in the Newark Conference. The smaller churches were grouped into circuits and districts which varied much more frequently. While in the Philadelphia Conference Mendham was in the Essex circuit; in the Newark Conference it was first in the Newark District; it is now in the Paterson District.

The official publication in which Mendham will now be found is called, "The Minutes of the Newark Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church." Bound copies of these Minutes may be found in the Methodist headquarters in New York City, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington, D. C., etc. The New York building is known as, "The Methodist Book Concern," 150 Fifth Avenue, New York City. Copies of the Minutes may also be found at Drew University, formerly Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. and like institutions in other parts of the country. The New Jersey Historical Society, Newark, N. J. has part of a set.

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## CLASS LEADERS

An effort to collect the names of all the Class Leaders of the church shows the following. The first Class Meeting was held in the home of Ingham Kinsey, 1820.

Ingham Kinsey  
Amizi B. Thompson  
William T. Morrow  
Daniel Millen  
Henry Devore  
Rev. R. S. Harris  
Thomas Crane  
G. Crammer  
George W. DeGroot

Lott H. Burnett  
Rev. H. M. Brown  
Rev. S. Armstrong  
Edwin Colver  
John Reynolds  
Sedgewick R. Smith  
Francis Oliver  
Clarence D. Carley

## A LIST OF THE TRUSTEES AND STEWARDS

Ingham Kinsey  
William T. Morrow  
Daniel Millen  
Charles M. Kinsey  
Simeon D. Emmons  
Charles Thompson  
Thomas Knighton  
Amizi B. Thompson (Thomson)  
Henry Devore (Devore)  
Alfred D. Wallen  
George Crammer  
Aaron Schenck  
Daniel Savage  
T. F. More  
Thomas Crane  
Lott H. Burnett  
John V. Roff  
John Reynolds  
John Burnett  
Robert Woodruff  
George Cramer  
C. H. Reynolds  
Philemon Thompson  
George W. DeGroot  
Edward Lewis  
Peter Hoffman  
T. Smith

J. Adams  
H. Loree  
Thomas Crane  
Jesse S. Clark  
John Peppord  
Caleb H. Ward  
Sedgewick R. Smith  
W. Adams  
Edwin Colver  
Edward Osmun  
William J. Thompson  
J. Briant Bowman  
David M. Kaggen  
G. H. Westervelt  
M. F. Dickerson  
Amasa Leonard  
S. C. Arnold  
Francis Oliver  
R. S. Vandyke  
William J. Bedell  
Ethelbert C. Blazure  
Jackson J. Norris  
George S. DeGroot, M. D.  
Jason K. Stites  
Cornelius Poulson  
Dr. Joseph Dodin  
Madison M. Connett





TRUSTEES AND STEWARDS  
-Continued-

Thomas Lowery  
Edward W. Elliott  
Charles D. Ferry  
W. Theodore Quimby  
George J. Ferry  
E. S. P. Bretherton  
Albert Schumacher  
Jerome R. Van Nest  
Aaron V. Apgar  
Clarence D. Carley  
Horton Hildebrant  
George S. Thompson  
Joseph H. DeGroot  
W. Schenck  
Frank H. Woodruff  
Alfred Quimby  
John H. Quimby  
August Swenson  
O. C. Encke  
James H. Colville  
William F. Lowery  
Morris Stites  
Charles P. Bretherton  
C. Vincent Guerin  
Gustavus L. Day  
C. Madison Day  
Joseph A. DeGroodt  
Walter Walsh  
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Lewis J. Kaggen  
Peter De Mott  
E. R. Price  
Herbert W. Bockoven  
George E. Sutton  
Manning Connett  
H. D. McConnell  
Frank McMurtry

Burton Somers  
A. M. Culberson  
Charles N. Doolittle  
Harry Taylor  
Amzi Peterman  
Leonard H. Colville  
Ralph A. Sutton  
Mary Elizabeth Oliver  
George E. Gunther  
William Talbot  
Mrs. William Talbot  
W. A. La Force  
Carl Bockoven  
Everett Sutton  
Arthur C. Quimby  
Leon Quimby  
Harold Peterman  
Hugh P. Eyrick  
John N. Hoffman  
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GILBERT, Jesse S. (Rev.)	4,15,16,23
GORISSE, Gustave (Rev.)	21,24
GRIFFITH, Edw. (Rev.)	3,22
GUERIN, Vincent C.	28
GUNTHER, George E.	28

## H.

HAMMOND, J. P. (Rev.)	24
HANCE, Edw. (Rev.)	2,7,22
HARRIS, Robert S. (Rev.)	3,8,9,22
	27
HILDERBRANT, Horton	27
HOAGLAND, Warren L. (Rev.)	25
HOFFMAN, Peter (Mrs.)	12
Peter (Mr.)	27
John N.	28
HOYT, Chester J. (Rev.)	19,23
HUBACH, Frederick J. (Rev.)	18,19,23
HUDSON, A. D.	6
HUFFMAN,	12
HURLBUT, Jesse L. (Rev.)	25

## I.

## J.

JAMISON, James (Rev.)	21,23
JANES, E. S. (Rev.)	6,9,11

## K.

KAGGEN, David M. (Rev.)	27
Lewis J.	28
KEELER, Isaac	8
KEYS, J. N. (Rev.)	4,12,23
KINSEY, Chas. M. (Rev.)	6,27
Ingham	2,5,6,27
KNIGHTON, Thomas	6,27
KNOWLES, J. H. (Rev.)	14,25
KOUNTZE, Luther	15

## L.

LA FORCE, W. A.	28
LAREW, Charles (Rev.)	11,17,
	18,25
LAWTON, James (Rev.)	3,10,23
LEET, Arthur (Rev.)	2,22
LEONARD, Amasa	13,14,27
LEWIS, Edw.	27
LIPENCOTT, C. A. (Rev.)	25
LOREE, H.	27
LOVELL, Father	2,5,22
LOWERY, William F.	28
Thomas	27

## M.

MACAULEY, J. P. (Rev.)	4,12,23
MEEKER, J. M. (Rev.)	25
MILLEN, Daniel	4,5,6,10
	13,14,27
MOONEY, George (Rev.)	4,18,23
MORE, T. F.	27
MORGAN, Wm. H. (Rev.)	4,17,23
John L. (Rev.)	21,24
MORRELL, Francis A. (Rev.)	2,6,22
MORRIS, S. J. (Rev.)	3,11,23
MORROW, Wm. T.	6,27
MURDICK, Perry H. (Rev.)	19,23

## Mc.

McCONNELL, H. D.	28
McCOWAN, W. S. (Rev.)	20,23
McFARLAND, J. H. (Rev.)	2,22
McMURTRY, Frank	28

## N.

NINDE (Bishop)	17
NORRIS, Jackson J.	27

## O.

OLIVER, Francis	13,14,
	15,27
Mary Elizabeth Foreword,	1,
	28
OSMUN, Edward	27





## P.

PARVIN, B. D. (Rev.)	3,23
PEPPARD, John	13,14,27
PERRY, Wm. C. (Rev.)	2,7,22
PETERMAN, Amizi	28
Harold	28
POULSON, Cornelius	27
POYNTER, Machette Y. (Rev.)	21,24
PRICE, E. R.	28
Harold A.	17

## Q.

QUIMBY, Alfred	28
Arthur C.	28
John S.	8,28
Leon	28
T.	16
W. Theodore	16,27

## R.

REED, C. A. (Mrs.)	10
REYNOLDS, C. H.	27
John (Mrs.)	12
John (Mr.)	27
ROFF, John V.	2,27
RUSSELL, S. D. (Rev.)	4,23

## S.

SAVAGE, Daniel	27
SCHENCK, Aaron	27
W.	28
SCHUMACHER, Albert	27
SENEY, George I.	13,15
SHAW, John K. (Rev.)	2,5,22
SHEPHURD, Vincent (Rev.)	2,6,22
SIMPSON, Henry M. (Rev.)	4
SMITH, S. H. (Rev.)	25,27
Geo. W. (Rev.)	25
Sedgwick R.	27
T.	27
SOMERS, Burton	28
SOVEREIGN, Thos. (Rev.)	2,5,22
STITES, Jason K.	27
Morris	28
STOKES, Mordcai C. (Rev.)	3,8,22
STRATTON,	28
T. (Rev.)	4,23

## S. (Cont'd)

SUTTON, Everett	28
T.	27
Geo. E.	28
Geo. (Mrs.)	28
Ralph A.	28
SWENSON, August	28
T.	
TALBOT, William	28
(Mr.)	28
(Mrs.)	28
TAYLOR, Annie K. (Mrs.)	28
Harry	28
THOMAS, Washington (Rev.)	2,22
THOMPSON, Amizi B.	27
Chas.	6,27
Geo. S.	27
Philemon	27
William J.	27
TRUMBOWER, Henry (Rev.)	3,22
TUTTLE, P. M. (Rev.)	25

## U.

URMY, Ralph B. (Rev.)	4,17, 18,23
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## V.

VAN BENSCHOTEN S. (Rev.)	25
VAN CLEVE C. S. (Rev.)	25
VAN DYKE, R. S.	13, 27
VAN HORN, Richard (Rev.)	3,7,22,25
VAN NEST, Jerome R.	27
VANSANT, S. (Rev.)	9
VOGEL, George G. (Rev.)	25

## W.

WALLEN, Alfred	27
WALSH, Walter	28
WAMBOUGH, C. A. (Rev.)	3,12,23
WARD, Caleb, H.	27
WASHABAUGH, J. Edgar (Rev.)	26
WESTERVELT, G. H.	27
WHITECAR, Chas. H. (Rev.)	2,7,22
WILLETT, Alfred E. (Rev.)	21,24
Jessie M.	19



## W. (Cont'd)

WINANS, Rodney (Rev.)	2,7,22
WINNER, Isaac (Rev.)	25
WOODRUFF, Frank H.	28
Robert	4,13,14,27
WOOLSON, John (Rev.)	2,6, 22
WRIGHT, Helen M. Foreword,	26
John R. (Rev.)	4,13,23,26

X.

Y.

YARD, Robert B. (Rev.)	3,9,22
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RECORDS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

MENDHAM, NEW JERSEY

WITH

GENEALOGICAL ANNOTATIONS

BY

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## FOREWORD

In order to meet the increasing need for reference to church records arising from the various requirements of the genealogical and hereditary societies, and the growing popularity of establishing family trees, I have copied the most useful parts of the Methodist Church Records of Mendham; namely, the Second List of Members which includes nearly all of the first one made in 1862, the earliest Baptisms through 1883, and the Marriages from 1861 through 1917, all of them in the form given in the official books of the church.

Many of the early members have moved to other parts of the country and others have died leaving no families. I have therefore added a few notes of a genealogical nature, as well as historical. This compilation resembles somewhat the valuable little HISTORY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MADISON, N. J., written by Rev. Samuel Tuttle in 1855, the wonderfully detailed COMBINED RECORDS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN MORRISTOWN, and Chamber's EARLY GERMANS OF NEW JERSEY. My interest in this particular church has been due to the fact that three generations of my mother's family have been associated with it, and my father served it three years from 1880 through 1882.

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# QUARTERLY CONFERENCE MINUTES OF THE MENDHAM METHODIST CHURCH

The following Minutes have been copied because of the historical facts contained. The inside cover of this book bears the name of Daniel Millen.<sup>1</sup>

## THE FIRST RECORD

p. 1. \*The 4 (th) Quarterly Meeting Conference for Mendham charge was held at the church at Veal Town Feb. 19, 1849 at 11 o'clock A. M.  
PRAYER by the Presiding Elder, George T. Brown, E. M. Griffith Preacher in charge.  
John S. Adams }  
John S. Quimby }  
Henry Devoe } Stewards for the charge  
Isaac Keeler } present

Isaac W. Wheeler }  
James Barton } Leaders Present

Appeals none, Complaints none. Sunday School not in progress during winter at Veal Town and Mine Mount-verbal report given by Preacher in charge. Encouraging Prospects.

Passage of characters taken up and passed.

Stewards and Leaders for the charge: Wm. T. Morrow, George Cramer, John S. Adams, Isaac W. Keeler, Daniel Millen, Henry Devoe, John Quimby. Isaac W. Keeler was appointed Recording Steward.

Monies received -	John S. Adams pd.	\$12.00
	John S. Quimby Do.	4.00
	Isaac W. Keeler Do.	6.50
	Rev. E. M. Griffith	6.00
	Do.	28.50

Monies Paid to Elder G. F. Brown	6.50
to Rev. E. M. Griffith	22.00
	28.50

The next quarterly meeting at Mendham  
18 June 1849.

Closed with Prayer.





- p. 5. The fourth Quarterly Meeting Conference was held at the Parsonage for Mendham and Veal Town charge March 28th 1850. The Presiding Elder not present. Rev. M. C. Stokes preacher in charge took the chair after Prayer. Commenced business the following members Present.

John S. Adams, John S. Quimby, Henry Devoe, Isaac W. Keeler.

Monies received from Mendham	\$16.00
Do Do Do Veal Town	<u>32.75</u>
	48.75
In the hands of M. Stokes for Elder	<u>7.25</u>
Paid M. C. Stokes	41.50

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- p. 6. The first Quarterly Meeting Conference for Mendham and Veal Town, now called Bernardsville, charge was held at Mendham June 16, 1850.

Present - Pres. Elder Wisner, Rev. M. E. Stokes  
John H. Adams, W. T. Morrow,  
Daniel Millen, Henry Devoe, John S.  
Quimby, George Cramer.

No appeals, No complaints. Verbal report from Sunday Schools.

John T. Adams resigns stewardship and Rodrich A. Mitchell appointed.

Monies Pd. W. T. Morrow	\$7.00
Daniel Millen	<u>9.46</u>
	16.46
Paid the Pres. Elder	<u>4.00</u>
M. C. Stokes	12.46

Next Quarterly Meeting to be held at Bernardsville Sept. 21 and 22, 1850.



p. 56. Minutes of the first Quarterly Conference for Mendham and Walnut Grove charge held in the M. E. Church May 30, 1863.<sup>2</sup>

Brother A. L. Brice Pres. Elder in charge.  
Meeting opened with prayer by Bro. D. Millen.  
Present - Rev. James Lawton, Preacher in charge.

Members of official board present,

D. Millen	R. Woodruff <sup>4</sup>
G. Cramer	T. Crane
J(ohn) Peppard <sup>3</sup>	J. Reynolds

C. W. Reynolds

Question A. No complaints. No appeals. No recommendations for license to preach.

Sabbath School report. We have on the charge two Sabbath Schools, one at Mendham and the other at Walnut Grove. The former one is in a flourishing condition, the latter is not yet complete in its organization.

T. Crane  
C. H. Reynolds  
J. Reynolds

Report of the estimating Committee for the Support of the Pastor for the ensuing year, as Follows -  
\$300.00 for Mendham )  
100.00 for Walnut Grove )making four hundred Dollars

Amount of Salary paid for Preacher first	
Quarter	\$36.00
Paid Presiding Elder	5.00
	<u>41.00</u>

The following Brethren were appointed Stewards of the church at Walnut Grove. Bro. Phill Thompson<sup>5</sup>  
(Philemon)

Edward Lewis

Bro. J. Peppard offered his resignation as steward which was accepted.

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Next Quarterly Conference to be held at Mendham 22 and 23 of August, business conference at 4 o'clock  
22nd. Adjourned.

Thomas Crane, Sec'y  
Robert Woodruff, Rec'd. Steward.





SECOND LIST OF MEMBERS  
MENDHAM M. E. CHURCH

Probably 1863

Name	Residence	Remarks
A.		
*Axtel, Luther	Mine Mount	
*Austin, Charles W.	Mendham	
*Abrams, Sarah A.	"	
*Adams, J. Harriet	"	After at Chester
Anson, Susan	Walnut Grove	
Armstrong, Henrietta	Mendham	
Arnold, A.	Washington Corner	
B.		
*Bennet, Henry C.	Mendham	
*Bennet, Caroline A.	"	
*Boyle, Elizabeth	"	
*Bowman, Martha H.	"	
*Burnett, John	Mountain	
*Burnett, Eliphalet	"	
*Burnett, Lott H.	"	
*Burnett, Theodore	"	
*Burnett, Sarah J.	"	
Brown, Julia	Waterville	
*Bell, Henry	Mendham	
Brown, Harriett E.	Washington Corner Road	March 15, 1863 Rem. Sept. 15, '65
Bunnel, Aaron	Walnut Grove	
Burnett, Martha M.	"	
Burnett, Hannah	"	
C.		
*Clark, Jesse	Near Walnut Grove	
*Cramer, George	Waterville	
*Crammer, Catherine	"	
*Crane, Thomas	Ralstonville	
*Crane, Emily A.	"	
*Connit, Hannah	Waterville	
*Coleman, Mary	Mendham	
*Corrouth, Clarence (?)	Morristown	Rem. Feb. 26, '64
Connett, Earl F. <sup>6</sup>	Waterville	
Connett, Cornelia <sup>7</sup>	"	
Connett, Harriet	"	
D.		
*Degroot, George	Mendham	
*Degroot, Marinda	"	
*Degroot, James	"	

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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FROM: [illegible]

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Waterville

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Valuing House

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10/1/54

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Memorandum

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Name	Residence	Remarks
*Degroot, Mary A.	Mendham	
*Dunham, N. C.	Ralstonville	
*Dunham, Margaret	"	
Dickerson, William H.	Near Walnut Grove	
E.		
F.		
*Fairchild, Lent	Brook Road	
*Fairchild, Abigail	"	
*Fairchild, Mary J.	"	
G.		
*Groff, Sarah	Mendham	
*Groff, Hannah M.	"	
*Guerin, Nathan	Mountain	
*Guerin, Hannah	"	
*Goucher, Barnabas C.	Mendham	
*Guerin, Mary	Mountain Road	
Grovier, Mary	Walnut Grove	
Grovier, Elmira	"	
H.		
*Hildebrand, Sarah	Interior	
*Huffman, Peter	Mendham	
*Huffman, Charlotte	"	
*Henchel, Andrew F.	"	
Heading, Charity	Walnut Grove	
I.		
Ison, James	Walnut Grove	
J.		
*Johnston, Amanda		
Johnson, Mahale	Walnut Grove	
Johnson, Margaret A.	" "	
Johnson, Phebe N.	" "	
K.		
*Kinsey, Chas. M.	Ralstonville	
*Kinsey, Margaret	"	
*Kincain, Mary	Washington Corner Road	
*Kaigan, David	On road to Chester	

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Name	Residence	Remarks
L.		
Lindabury, Bertha	On road to Chester	
Lindabury, Henry	" "	
* Lore, Henry 8	On road to Bishop Janes'	
* Lore, Phebe	" "	
* Lore, Ezra C.	" "	
* Lore, Mary Ann	" "	
* Lore, Mary P.	Waterville	
* Lance, Nancy J.	Mountain	
* Ludlow, Gilbert	Mendham	
* Ludlow, Caroline	"	
* Ludlow, William	"	
Lore, Phebe	"	
Lore, Nancy	"	
Lewis, Edward	Walnut Grove	
Lewis, Susan	"	
Lewis, Eva B. (or Edw.)	"	
List, Pheba	"	
Lewis, Mary (?) A.	"	
Loree, G. Harvey	Mendham	
Loree,		
M.		
* Millen, Daniel	Mendham	(Rem. By certi-
* Millen, Marinda	"	(ficate, do
* Morris, Mary A.	Waterville	
* Morris, Malinda A.	"	
* Morris, Henrietta	"	
* McDougal, Jemima		
* Mesler, William H.	Mendham	
* Mesler, Sarah	"	
Mattox, Ellen		
N.		
O.		
P.		
* Phenix, Jane	Morristown	Rem. Feb.26,'64
* Peppard, John	Mendham	
* Peppard, Mary	"	
* Peppard, Cora W.	"	
* Pitney, Susan	"	
Pearson, George	Walnut Grove	
Pearson, Elmira	"	
Q.		



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Name	Residence	Remarks
R.		
* Reynolds, John	Mendham	
* Reynolds, Catherine		
* Reynolds, Chas.	Washington Cor. Road	
* Reynolds, Malinda	" "	
Roff, Enoch	Walnut Grove	
Reynolds, Adaline		
S.		
* Sanders, Francis	Washington Cor. Road	
* Skinner Sarah A.	Mountain	
* Savage, Margt. (?)	"	
Schenck, Aaron	Mendham	Rem. by certi- ficate
Schenck, Julia	"	
Skilhorn, Caroline	Walnut Grove	
Skillhorn, Lucretia	"	
Smith, Sedwich R.	On way to Morristown	
Smith, Ann Eliza	" "	
T.		
* Thompson, Elizabeth	Mendham	
Thompson, Barnabas B. <sup>9</sup>	"	
* Thomas, Alfred (col.)	Ralstonville	
Thompson, Elias <sup>10</sup>	Walnut Grove	
Thompson, Philamon	" "	
Thompson, William	Ralstonville	(Lived at Succasunna " Later)
Thompson, Emma C.		
Till, Caroline	Ralstonville	
Thompson, Clara S.	Waterville	
Truax, May	Walnut Grove	
U.		
V.		
W.		
Woodruff, Robert	Mendham	
Woodruff, Eliza		
* Woodruff, Charles		Left by certif.
* Wyckoff, John V. <sup>11</sup>	Brook Road	
* Wyckoff, Jane	"	
* Wyckoff, Martha E.	"	
* Wallen, Mary	Mendham	
* Welchman, Robert	"	
* Welchman, Laurana	"	
* Wortman, James	Mountain	





Name	Residence	Remarks
W. Cont'd.		
*Wortman, Sarah	Mountain	
*Ward, Caleb W. 12	Washington Cor. Road	
*Ward, Rebecca	"	
*Williams, Hannah		
*Waldron, Sarah	Washington Cor. Road	
Wheeler, Emery N.	In the army	
Woodruff, Joseph	Mendham	
Wyckoff, Sarah	"	
*Ward, Anna		
X.		
Y.		
Young, Electa	Walnut Grove, N. J.	
Young, Charles	" "	
Young, Caroline	" "	
Young, J. Thomas	" "	
Young, A. Adelaide	" "	
The end of the second list.		
Note. Names preceded by an asterisk were also in the first membership list, dated 1862.		
Names appearing on the list of 1862 but not later were:		
Bennett, Moses	Ralstonville	
Bennett, Mary	"	
Burton, Rachel	Mendham	
Degroot, Peter	"	
Degroot, Lida	"	
Degroot, Lizzie	"	
Goucher, Mary E.	Washington Corner	
Hedding, Francis	Mendham	
Hinde, Wingel (?)	"	Went to war, deceased
Kinsey, Elleanor	"	
Kerr, Alexander	Brook Road	
Lance, Sarah E.	Mendham	

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Name	Residence	Remarks
McDougal, Catherine A.	Mountain	Rem. Mar. 11, 1862
McKinstry, William	Ralstonville	Left - went to 2nd
McKinstry, Catherine	"	" " Presby.Ch.
Rice, Lyman	Mendham	Joined June 1, 1862
Sutton, Martha J.	Washington Cor. Road	
Savage, Daniel	Mountain	Rem. May 8, 1863
Savage, Mary L.	"	" "
Sweeney, Mary	Mendham	
Stringham, Lewis	Mountain	June 15, '62-Jan. 16, '63
Woodruff, Robert	Mendham	
Woodruff, Eliza	"	





BAPTISMAL RECORDS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL  
CHURCH *of me*

MENDHAM, N. J.

Book I

Date Baptized	Person Baptized	Date of Birth	Residence
1862 June 1-	Peter Hoffman	Oct. 20, 1819	Mendham
	Lewis Stringham	-	Mountain
	Sarah A. Abrams	May, 21, 1807	Mendham
	Marg't Savage	Feb. 9, 1846	"
1863 Mar. 16	Christopher, son of Sarah & Christopher Waldron	Nov. 12, 1862	Washington Cor.
Mar. 22	Ella, Daughter of Cortland & Susan Pitney	Dec. 18, 1860	Mendham
	Lydia, dau. of Cort. & Susan Pitney	Nov. 12, 1862	"
	Ida Degroot	Apr. - 1863	
	William, son of Wm. and - Lacray	Feb. 21, 1864	Mendham
1866 June 17	Harriet Ann Riley	1847	Mendham
	Anna Mary, dau. of David & Emelin Burr	1849	Waterville
Aug. 5	Henry Drake son of Aaron & Julia Schenck	May 31, 1863	Mendham
	Lewis M., son of Edw. & Ruth Osmun	Feb. 9, 1865	Chester
Oct. 7	Wm. C. Babcock	1841	Waterville
	Carmilla Jos. Kinsey	1843	Ralstonville
Dec. 2	Carrie Zeek, Dau. of G. N. & Harriet Loree	Apr. 7, 1866	Mendham
	David (Lance)	Nov. 23, 1856	Ralstonville
	Lydia Ester (Lance)	Dec. 27, 1860	
	Ch. of John & Nancy Lance		





1867	George B. (Lance)	Sept. 27, 1863	Ralstonville
Jan. 6	Emma L. (Lance)	July 19, 1865	
	Ch. of John & Nancy Lance		
June 2	Ruth A. Hart	Age 28	Morristown
	Johanne H. McDougal	14	Mendham
	Mary J. Emmons	15	Ralstonville
	Laura A. Lawrence	17	Mendham
	Mary A. Lawrance	20	"
	Jacob E. Wortman	, 25	"
	Anna M. Vannetta	20	Walnut Grove
	Malinda D. Ward	17	Mendham
	Mary E. Connett	16	Waterville
	Hannah M. Day	16	Mendham
	Harriet E. Bradshaw	38	Ralstonville
	Joseph Appinwall	34	Waterville
	Lot H. Burnett	16	Mendham
	Anna M. Wyckoff	Jan. 24, 1846	Ralstonville
June 30	Wm. S. Phoenix	Age 15	Waterivlle
	Mary E. Baird	38	"
	Amanda A. Hugg	14	Mountain
July 7	Harry J. (Bennett)	Nov. 3, 1863	Mendham
	Wm. S. (Bennett)	Aug. 3, 1865	
	Ch. of H. O. & Caroline Bennett		
	Elizabeth dau. of	June 18, 1866	Mendham
	Ezra F. & Caroline Baldwin		
	Christina (Horsfall)	Dec. 25, 1854	Mendham
	George H.	May 30, 1856	
	Lewis	Oct. 16, 1860	
	Ch. of John & Elizabeth Horsfall		



1867	Sarah A. (Youngs)	June 28, 1862	Walnut Grove
July 21	Ella D.	May 28, 1865	
	Ch. of Wm. & - Youngs		
	William H. (Pierson)	Apr. 12, 1864	Walnut Grove
	Mary E.	June 21, 1865	
	Ch. of Geo. & Almira Pierson		
	Joseph H. (Janson)	Oct. 20, 1864	Walnut Grove
	William F.	Oct. 13, 1861	
	Ch. of Mr. & Mrs. Janson		
	Francis M. (Youngs)	May 8, 1858	Walnut Grove
	Henry W.	Aug. 8, 1860	
	Silley A.	Sept. 11, 1862	
	George E.	Jan. 9, 1865	
	Ch. of Charles & Caroline Youngs		
Aug. 18	Isabella Pruden	Age 23	Walnut Grove
	Nathaniel W. Dickerson	20	"
	John H. Beach	22	"
	George A. Pool	20	"
	Rebecca A. Young	20	"
	Anna C. Young	16	"
	Abby A. Burnett	14	"
	Louisa Johnson	16	"
	Luther J. Lawrence	11	"
Sept. 1	John Y. Bonnell	27	"
	Jesse S. Clark	23	"
	Abby A. Pool	18	"
	Jefferson B. Hedden	23	"
	Isaac List	55	"
	Clara S. Thompson		
1868	Freddie Mills, son of	Mar. 31, 1868	Jockey Hollor
Nov. 22	G. H. & Harriet Loree		





1869 July 25	Anna Bell Bowman	Infant	Mendham
Dec. 2	Willie Edell Harrison	"	Morristown
	Ogden Knox Kinsey	"	Ralstonville
Oct. ?	Jesse Smith Clark	"	Walnut Grove
1870 Jan. 23	Henry Bunnell	Adult	Walnut Grove
Oct. 19	Minnie Osmun Lance	Infant	Ralstonville
Dec. 11	J. V. Phenix	Adult	Mendham
1871 July 2	Lidia De Groot	"	Mendham
	Lottie Ward	"	"
	Lizzie De Groot	"	"
	Minnie Phoenix	"	"
	Rachel Ackerman	"	"
	Lizzie Ward	"	"
	George Etta Reeves	"	"
	Harriet Reeves	"	"
Nov. 10	Robert Roff	"	"
	Sarah Poll	"	"
Nov. 17	Charles Nixon	"	"
1872 June	Addie Croter	"	"
Sept.	Emma Chambers	"	"
1873 Jan.	Frank Groff Thompson	Infant	Washington Cor.
	Joseph Stratton	Child	"
	Lizzie R. Stratton	"	"
1875 Jan. 20	Nellie May(Poulson)	May 18, 1875 dau. of Cornelius & Lydia Poulson	Mendham

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1900	1900	Anna Bell Bowman	Infant	Wendham
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1903	1903	Leona Smith Clark	"	Wendham
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1876 Nathan C. & Julia L. Feb. 21, 1875 Mendham  
 Jan. 20 Freddie S. Guerin

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Book II

			Parents
1877			
Dec. 1	Harry G. Zellers	Jan. 24, 1867	Isaac L. & Emma
	John L. Zellers	Apr. 29, 1869	Zellers of Ralston
	Frank L. Zellers	Mar. 17, 1872	"
	Katie Renzilla Zellers	Aug. 23, 1877	"
1878	Frederick Chas. Watkins	Jan. 17, 1878	Thos. & Ella Watkins
Apr. 17			of Mendham
	Hattie Ward	Adult	Caleb & Rebecca Ward
			of Mendham
1879	Cora L. Gable	Oct. 18, 1878	Jonathan & Carrie
Mar. 14	(Goble ?)		Gable of Mendham
Mar. 15	Renzilla Kinsey	May 20, 1877	Benj. H. & Marg't
	Susan Kinsey	June 9, 1875	Kinsey of Ralston
	Benjamin Kinsey	Feb. 10, 1873	
	Alfred Kinsey	Feb. 18, 1871	
Mar. 16	Lucy Annie Dean	Aug. 1, 1878	Wilber & Emma F.
			Dean of Mendham
June 1	John Newman Black <sup>21</sup>	Adult	Mendham
	Hattie Bell Poulson	Feb. 9, 1879	Cornelius & Lydia
			Poulson, Mendham
1880	Ella Isabella Watkins	Adult	
Feb. 1			
Aug. 8	Lee Andrew Gable	May 26, 1880	Jonathan & Laura
			Gable, (Goble ?)
Dec. 6	Marg't A.H.E. Guest	Dec. 6, 1873	Wm. & Hulda Guest
1881	Lora Smith Guerin	Jan. 28, 1878	Nathaniel & Julia
Mar. 16			Guerin, Mendham
July 3	George E. Morris	Adult	
	Mary Morris	"	



1881 July 3	Louisa Morris	Adult		
	Lottie Brown	"		
	Abraham Leonard	"		
	Georgianna Smith	"		
	Harris Guest	"		
	Caroline Guest	"		
	Jennie Phoenix	"		
Sept. 4	Francis A. Dean	May 9, 1880	Wilber & Emma Dean	Mendham
1882 Mar. 5	Emma Connet	Adult		
	Sadie Kennybrook			
June 18	Nellie Seymour Oliver	Nov. 21, 1881	Francis <sup>13</sup> & May Oliver	Mendham (Mary E. Stinson)
July 6	Sheldon DeGroot Dodin	Sept. 1881	Jos. & Lizzie Dodin	Ralstonville
Sept. 5	Sarah Forsythe	Adult		
Oct. 26,	Charles H. Gable	Aug. 1882	Jonathan & Laura Gable	Mendham
Dec. 19	Wm. H. Phillips	Sept. 20, 1881	John & May Phillips	
1883 Mar. 25	Sarah Elizabeth (Guerin)	Apr. 23, 1882	Nathaniel & Julia Guerin, Mountain	
Feb. 20	Joseph A. Lowry	Jan. 12, 1874	Thos. & Sarah Lowry	
	Robert John	Oct. 21, 1876	Mendham, (Lowery)	
	William F.	Nov. 15, 1878		
	Thos. Henry (Lowry)	Aug. 1, 1880		
Aug. 5	Harriet Burnet	Adult		

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF MENDHAM, N. J.  
( MARRIAGES )

<u>Marriage Date</u>	<u>Parties</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Age</u>
<u>B. O. Parvin - Clergyman</u>			
1861 Sept. 9	Lemuel Adams Harriet Sayre	Flanders, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	
Oct. 22	Garret H. Westervelt Anna M. Kinsey	Newark, N. J. Ralstonville, N. J.	
<u>Charles P. DeCamp - Clergyman</u>			
1862 July 29	Whitefield Clouse Martha Bennett	German Valley, N. J. Ralstonville, N. J.	
<u>James Lawton - Clergyman</u>			
1863 May 23	Alvian Aldrack H. B. Polon	Mendham, N. J. " "	23 19
Sept. 15	Lewis W. Sperry Mary J. Banton	Brooklyn Water Street ( Brookside )	25 22
1864 July 2 (?)	Chas. A. Hughson Susan A. Stites	Randolph Tws. N. J. Mendham, N. J.	25 23
Feb. 24	Edward H. Regen Fanny E. Guerin	Succasunna Plains N. J. Morristown, N. J.	23 25
1865 Nov. 14	Philander B. Chadwick Rosanna Babcock	South Lee Matt (Mass.) Washington, N. J.	
<u>Samuel J. Morris - Clergyman</u>			
1866 Sept. 26	James M. Hunt Phebe A. Bunnell	Dover, N. J. Mendham	32 23
Oct. 27	Ira B. Burnett Margaret A. Burnett	Chester, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	21 19
Nov. 8	Wm. H. Baird Adeline B. Reynolds	Bernardsville, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	30 30
1867 Apr. 24	Emory A. Wheeler Elmira Grovier	Washington, D. C. (?) Waterville (Brookside) N. J.	24 21
June 2	Columbus A. Buddington Nancy C. Omsted	Walnut Grove, N. J. " " "	25 22





1867	Edward D. C. Freeman	Dover, N. J.	22
Oct. 20	Mary E. Bonnell	Waterville, N. J.	27
Oct. 23	Moses D. Overfield	Stroudsburg, Pa.	24
	Martha H. Van Aken	Orange, N. J.	32
Nov. 27	Benj. B. DeGroot	Mendham, N. J.	
	Eliza Starr	Jockey Holler, N. J.	
Nov. 28	Wm. H. Harrison	Morristown, N. J.	
	Mary B. Kinsey	Ralstonville, N. J.	
1868	Richard T. Bowman	Mendham, N. J.	
Mar. 10	Emma R. Roy	Brookside, N. J.	
Oct. 23	Wm. H. Adams	Morristown, N. J.	25
	Isabella Crane	Chatham, N. J.	
Oct. 31	Sydney Hagerty	Roxbury, Morris Co. N. J.	41
	Mary Lawrance	Randolph Tws. Morris, N. J.	40
Nov. 10	Robert M. Parks	Chester, N. J.	21
	Mary McKinstry	Mendham, N. J.	21
Nov. 25	Edward P. Babbitt	Warren, Ohio	27
	Lydia A. Adams	Mendham, N. J.	25

C. A. Wambough - Clergyman

1869	Mahlon G. List	Chester, N. J.	
Sept. 28	Carrie Parks	" "	
Oct. 27	John F. Hulbert	Brookside, N. J.	
	Sarah E. Baird	" "	
Dec. 2	John B. Wolfe	Ralstonville, N. J.	
	Camela J. Kinsey	" " "	
Dec. 15	J. Briant Bowman	Mendham, N. J.	
	Hannah M. Day	" "	
1870	Chas. L. Woodruff	Mendham, N. J.	
April	Loanna B. DeGroot	" "	
July 3	Amzy N. Benton	Mendham, N. J.	
	Anna Mary Hand	" "	
Aug. 27	Henry D. Van Nest	Mendham, N. J.	
	Ruth Howell	Chester, N. J.	
Sept. 22	David G. Knight	Basking Ridge, N. J.	
	Clara J. Peppord	" " "	

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1870	Stephen Riker	Ralstonville, N. J.
Dec. 24	Mary A. Lanning	" " "
Dec. 28	Horace Baird	Brookside, N. J.
	Annie Pool	Walnut Grove, N. J.
1871	Wm. J. Thompson	Mendham, N. J.
Jan. 1	Hannah M. Groff	" "
Jan. 2	George C. Cameron	Chatham, N. J.
	Elizabeth Hinds	Pleasant Plains

T. R. Stratton - Clergyman

Aug. 17	Isaac E. Lyon	Newark, N. J. Wedding Party
	Mary E. Connett	Brookside, N.J. At Brookside
Dec. 17	Nathaniel W. Dickerson	Rd. to Grove (Walnut Grove)
	Martha J. Baird	" "
Dec. 25	Aaron Towlen	Mt. Freedom, N. J.
	Abbie Burnett	" "
1872	Silas H. Douglass	Rochester, Mich.
Feb. 21	Amanda H. Hand	Pleasant Grove, N. J.
April 15	Henry H. Cramer	Mendham, N. J.
	Martha Henderson	" "
May 25	Theodore F. Cook	Walnut Grove, N. J. (Later
	Amelia D. Milburn	Succa- Called Mt. Freedom)
		sunna, N. J.
" (?)	David Philhower	
	Angeline Meelick	

S. K. Russell - Clergyman

1873	David W. Holloway	Morristown, N. J.
April 6	Charlotte Pool	Hackettstown, N. J.
April 19	Josiah Cross	Liberty Corner, N. J.
	Hester A. Odell	New Germantown, N. J.
July 7	Henry C. Smith	New York
	Annie A. Flemming	"
July 23	Josiah Wilson	New York City WEd. party at
	Lizzie S. Bowen	home of Earl F.
		Connet, J. F.
		Hurst assisting
1874	Edward Madison	Montclair, N. J.
May 13	Linn Y. Ward	Mendham, N. J.





1874	W. W. Anderson	Chicago, Ill.
May 15	Alice S. Russell	Mendham, N. J.
June 18	Edw. M. Quimby	Dover, N. J.
	Emma J. List	Chester, N. J.
Aug. 12	Eli Wyckoff	Chester, N. J.
	Gertrude Seal	" "
1875	George L. Taggart	Philadelphia, Pa.
Jan. 28	Anna M. Ward	Mendham, N. J.

Jas. N. Keys - Clergyman

1876	Morris Edor	Washington, N. J.	Witnesses
Feb. 7	Catherine A. Emans		Mary Emons
			Ebenezer Edor
Mar. 15	John L. Currie	Springfield, N. J.	
	Hannah S. Freeman	Newark, N. J.	
Apr. 7	Wm. Stewart	Mendham, N. J.	Residence of
	Louisa Hall	" "	Alfred Thomas
July 15	Whitefield Chambers	Mendham, N. J.	
	Melissa S. Horton	FairMount, N. J.	
Sept. 3	John Mann Pell	Morristown, N. J.	
	Georgianna Johnson	New York City	
1877	Daniel Adar	Washington, N. J.	Mendham, Par-
Jan. 12	Hannah E. Emmons	" "	sonage
Jan. 12	Isaac Emmons	Washington, N. J.	
	Martha J. Hines	" "	

Book II

1877	Wm. Henry Trowbridge	Morristown, N. J.	21 Printer
June 20	Josie O. Vandyke	Mendham, N. J.	20
Oct. 17	Wilber Dean	Mendham, N. J.	29 Carpenter
	Emma F. Fairchild	" "	21
1878	Jonathan Goble	Mendham, N. J.	33 Farmer
Mar. 6	Carrie M. Lance	" "	19
1879	Wm. C. Gaston	Port Murry, N. J.	
Mar. 15	Clarissa Dykes	Mendham, N. J.	

G. M. Simpson - Clergyman

June 25	Frederick Dean 22	Brookside, N. J.	25 Farmer
	Mary Alice Phoenix	" "	20

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John R. Wright - Clergyman<sup>14</sup>

1881	William De Mott	Mendham, N. J.	23 (Farmer-born
Mar. 2	Harriet Ward	" "	20 Basking Ridge)
June 8	S. P. Cannon	Mendham, N. J.	35 Farmer
	Mary Blanchard	" "	40
July 31	Henry Bonnell	Mendham, N. J.	33 Farmer
	Amy Chambers	" "	25
Oct. 8	Jacob Washburn *	Brookside, N. J.	25 (Teacher-born
	Mary B. Connet	" "	23 N. Y.)
1881	David Huff	Mendham, N. J.	52 Expressman
Oct. 23	Catherine G(S or T ?)	illman "	39
Nov. 12	Charles Potter	Mendham, N. J.	
	Annie Hilderbrant	Mendham, N. J.	
Nov. 23	William Baird	Chester, N. J.	24 Farmer
	Sarah J. Savage	" "	21
1882	Edward Bowen	Brookside, N. J.	65 (Laborer, born
Feb. 8	Harriet Mosier	" "	40 England)
Mar. 20	George O. Nixon	Dover, N. J.	28 (Farmer, born
	Myra Pierson	Brookside, N. J.	25 Dover)
Apr. 12	Edward Elliott <sup>15</sup>	Mt. Horeb N. J.	27 Farmer
	Lizzie Ward	Mendham, N. J.	26
Apr. 22	George Linnbury	Bedminster, N. J.	22 Farmer
	Augusta Melich	Peapack, N. J.	21
July 14	William Bowen	Brookside, N. J.	23 Farmer
	Florence Whitman	Littleton, N. J.	20
Aug. 30	Walter R. Sturgis	Brookside, N. J.	40 Miller
	Martha A. Little	" "	20
Sept. 6	George Simons	Newark, N. J.	23 (Farmer, born
	Annie E. Raygan	Peapack, N. J.	22 Newark

\* Note - Jacob Washburn's home was Billings, New York. Both he and Mary Connet were teachers at Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y. Mary Connet was daughter of Earl F. Connet of Brookside, at whose home the wedding took place.



Oct. 21	Edward L. Wortman Sarah E. Mesler	Peapack, N. J. " "	23 Farmer 20
1883 Jan. 3	John H. Reibigheisor Sarah E. Fairchild	New Germantown Mendham, N. J.	23 Carriage 22 turner At Fair- child home
Feb. 21	William Osborn Mary J. Wright 16	Stanhope, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	25 Farmer 24 Prospectville Pa.
<u>Olin B. Coit - Clergyman</u>			
June 20	Edgar Bailey Ida Dodin	New York Mendham, N. J.	27 Merchant Wit. 20 Geo. Dodian Geo. L. DeGroot
June 20	Augustus Elaine Laura E. Gray	Ironia, N. J. " "	23 Farmer 18
Sept. 25	Frank McCurdy Alice Parks	Chester, N. J. " "	23 Miner-McCurdy's 17 Wit. J. H. McCurdy, Edw. Quimby
Nov. 1	Charles Denike Amanda L. Havencamp	Chester, N. J. " "	21 Miner 18
1884 Sept. 4	James Whitenack Nettie E. Allen	Bernardsville " N. J.	30 Farmer 25
1885 Jan. 25	William F. Parks Ida Hulbert	Mendham, N. J. Mt. Freedom	21 Farmer 19
Feb. 25	Charles W. Mattox Emma E. Wilson	Mendham, N. J. " "	25 Farmer 19 At bride's home Wit. Mary Wilson
Mar. 2	Charles F. Burnside Nettie Bowen	Morristown, N. J. Brookside, N. J.	28 Newsdealer 27 Wit. Earl Connett and Edwin Bowen
Mar. 24	David P. Lance Sarah Steelman	Mt. Freedom, N. J. " " "	28 Farmer 27
Apr. 2	Frederick Kreck Ida Carrie Burnet	Morristown, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	29 (Farmer-born 18 Germany)





June 5	George W. Armstrong Mary H. Wilson	Newark, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	28 16	Painter
Sept. 4	John L. Baird Elizabeth Forsythe	Chester, N. J. " "	31 28	Farmer
Sept. 17	Frank Elliott Charlotte Ward	Mt. Horeb N. J. Mendham, N. J.	28 27	Farmer Wit. Robt. & Mary Wilson
Nov. 26	Aaron Huffman Addie Riker	Mendham, N. J. Chester, N. J.	38 23	Farmer Wit. Geo. Dodin & Wm. Keggan
Dec. 6	Henry Weigand Anna Skellinger	Mendham, N. J. Mt. Freedom "	29	Farmer Wit. Elizabeth Burnet & Lilly Keggan
1886 Feb. 20	Henry Forsythe Carrie Guest	Mendham, N. J. " "	25 ?	Farmer
Feb. 24	Nelson Baldwin Elizabeth Guest	Mendham, N. J. " "	25 24	Blacksmith Wit. Thos. K. Alex. & Lizzie Baldwin

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Jesse S. Gilbert - Clergyman

1886 Oct. 30	John H. Smallwood Sallie E. Firth	Paterson, N. J. " "	39 22
Dec. 22	Eben M. D. Winans Mary Ida Porter	Paterson, N. J. " "	24 25
Dec. 23	Wm. E. Gray Lydia A. Hing	Mendham, N. J. " "	62 62
1887 Feb. 9	Horace Craft Sarah A. Gilbert	Glen Head, L.I. Hempstead, L.I.	36 29





Nov. 5	Warren D. Potter Sarah C. Howell	Pottersville, N. Y. " " "	24 19
1888	Wm. T. Cramer	Mendham, N. J.	24
Mar. 22	Delilah H. Burnet	Morristown, N. J.	25
Apr. 25	Jerome R. Van Nest Anna Belle Guerin	Newark, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	23 17
May 9	Ichabod M. Cockran Rachel Barton	Mendham, N. J. " "	75 61
July 28	James Duggan Phebe A. Hagar	Morristown, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	24 16
Oct. 3	Charles H. Dykes Matilda W. Dodin	Mendham, N. J. " "	28 22
Nov. 3	Oliver W. Sanders Sarah Hickey	Bernardsville, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	27 25
Nov. 21	Edward A. Palmer Anna M. Kenneybrook	Mendham, N. J. " "	22 21
Dec. 25	Geo. V. Fear Emma May Roy	Montclair, N. J. Mendham, N. J.	22 22
1889	James Y. Chapman	Mendham, N. J.	22
Mar. 14	Henrietta Gaston	" "	20
Apr. 12	John H. Ackerman Annie Wortendyke	New York City " " "	22 23

Albert Cain - Clergyman

Oct. 20	Charles L. Dean Maggie Crater	Mendham, N. J. " "	21 23
Nov. 12	Edward L. Baird Lillian E. Keggen	Mendham, N. J. " "	25 26
1890	George Walter	Morristown, N. J.	22
Jan. 7	Olive Hagar	Mendham, N. J.	19
1891	Searing T. McVey	Mendham, N. J.	
May 12	Mary L.	" "	
May 13	Wm. H. Meeker Marg. A. Peterman	Mendham, N. J. " "	
Dec. 8	Wm. (?) Barton Brient Emma L. Meeker	Mendham, N. J. " "	

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Frank S. Cookman - Clergyman

1892	William E. Pope	Basking Ridge	23
May 5	Mary J. Bowman	" "	21
Aug. 7	John E. McMichael	Bernardsville	23
	Louise Orilla Lent	" "	19
Oct. 26	Stephen Eugene Babbitt	Mendham, N. J.	25
	Amy Florence Stites	" "	22
1893	John Henry Quimby	Mendham, N. J.	21
Mar. 15	Amy Hazen	" "	19
Mar. 29	Geo. W. Smith	Peapack, N. J.	22
	Nettie E. Bowen	Brookside, N. J.	25

Wm. Morgan - Clergyman<sup>17</sup>

Apr. 19	Harry H. Sutton	Mendham, N. J.	22
	Katie Hazen	" "	23
June 3	Augustus Holden	Washington	22
	Katie B. Bowen	Brookside, N. J.	22
Oct. 25	Johnson Decker	New York	31
	Albertina Rosenkrans	Mendham, N. J.	24
Nov. 29	J. F. Lindebury	Schooleys Mt.	22
	Anna Belle Budd	Mt. Freedom	28
1894	Joseph Van Dyke Jr.	Morristown, N. J.	20
Mar. 21	Edith May DeGroot	Mendham, N. J.	18
Apr. 18	Lewis J. Kaggen	Mendham, N. J.	36
	Susan Belliver Lance	" "	39
June 13	John Budd Hulse	Kennele	30
	Ella Odenheimer Stackhouse	Stanhope	35
July 4	Jerry Ranson	Madison	24
(colored)	Katie Pigery	Mendham, N. J.	24
Sept. 3	Frank Pierson Guerin	Morristown, N. J.	24
	Mary Ella Burnett	" "	26
Oct. 3	Eugene B. Hill	Mendham, N. J.	24
	Laura J. Zeiliff	Mendham, Tws.	23
Dec. 6	George Dixon	Chester Tws.	28
	Jennie Wyckoff	Mendham, "	16





1895	Oliver F. Schofield	Brookside	22
Mar. 13	Mary M. Cfater	Mendham, N. J.	32
May 15	Edward Hann	Anthony, N. J.	24
	Percy Ella Sutton	Mendham, N. J.	23
Dec. 23	Arthur G. Pruden	Greenvillage, N. J.	22
	Sarah E. Thompson	Mendham, N. J.	17
1896	Samuel H. Nesbitt	Ralston	26
May 14	Emma A. Crane	Brookside	25
Sept. 16	Robert D. Searles	Morristown	26
	Minnie F. Meeker	" "	24
Nov. 10	Howard Alpaugh	Cokesbury N. J.	27
	Annie May Landon	Bissel, N. J.	20
<u>Ralph B. Urmy - Clergyman</u> <sup>18</sup>			
1897	John C. DeCamp	Brookside, N. J.	29
Aug. 11	Sarah Elizab. Wilson	" "	21
Sept. 1	Geo. H. Pickel	Tottenville, N. J.	21
	Luretta Todd	" "	18
1898	John E. Norwood	Boonton, N. J.	36
Jan. 16	Louisa (?) Norris	Brookside	34
Mar. 17	Caleb V. Horton	Chester	38
	Louanna Langdon	"	40
June 22	Daniel H. Van Doren	Gladstone	25
	Nellie May Touson	Mendham, N. J.	23
Oct. 12	Geo. E. Sutton	Mendham, N. J.	23
	Georgiana McLain	" "	17
1899	Walter Sutton	Ralston	38
Jan. 9	Carrie Forsythe	"	34 (nee Guest)
Oct. 24	Andrew Mayberry	Bernardsville	28
	Sadie Nelson	" "	23
Mar. 8	Joseph A. Lowery	" "	25
	Mary Little	Mendham, N. J.	27
Mar. 29	Benj. B. McDougal	Mendham, N. J.	23
	Anna Alma Sutton	" "	21





Apr. 2	Frank Elmer Reid	Ironia, N. J.	23
	Sarah Minne Abel	Bernardsville	30
Oct. 21	Archibald Browne	Bernardsville	21
	Rosa Robbins	" "	22
Dec. 18	Milton H. Chambers	Ralston	23
	Grace Bertha McMurty	Peapack, N. J.	18

George Mooney - Clergyman<sup>19</sup>

1901	Andrew Jackson Smith	Morristown	23
Jan. 21	Eva Chambers	" "	22
Feb. 14	John Henry Pruden	Washington Valley	26
	Jennie Hayden Meeker	Morristown	31
June 26	Frederick Dean	Newark	43
	Juliette Lounsbury	Mendham	25
Nov. 28	William Kutcher Philhower	Peapack, N.J.	23½
	Elines Berry	Chester	20
1902	William James Lounsbury	Mendham	23½
Apr. 9	Sarah Jane Crammer	"	24
June 25	Charles Everett Lounsbury	Newark	24-10mos.
	Mary Elizab. Stinson	Bernardsville	25
July 6	Harry Ader	German Valley	23½
	Emma Beam	" "	26
Aug. 7	Gideon Edgar Savage	Brookside	21-4mos.
	Mary Luella Hinds	Mt. Freedom	20
Sept. 10	Frank Herbet Woodruff	Mendham, N. J.	32-3mos.
	Louella Armstrong	Morristown,	25
Oct. 1	William Henry Reynolds	East Orange	32
	Clara Crammer	Ralston	27
Oct. 8	Theodore Crater	Peapack	27-8mos.
	Ida Lance	Chester	22
1902	William H. Hart	Salt Point, N.Y.	26-10mos.
Oct. 12	Charlotte Isabella Baker	Bernardsville	28
1903	Joel Redner	Midvale, N. J.	36-2mos.
May 27	Jennie Conklin	" "	18
Sept. 30	Wm. H. Ray	Morristown	26-10mos.
	Malinda C. Miller	Brookside	28



## Book IV

Rev. Fred J. Hubach - Clergyman

1904	Elisha H. Tigar	Washington, N. J.	21
Apr. 24	Estella D. Bowers	" "	20
May 30	Henry H. Crammer	Dover, N. J.	54
	Georgia A. Griffith	" "	47
Nov. 16	George J. Ferry Jr. 20	Mendham, N. J.	31
	Anna May Elliott	"	21

Rev. P. H. Murdick - Clergyman

1907	John Wright	Mt. Freedom	27
Jan. 11	Minnie Jackson	Morris Plains	25
June 2	Charles Crammer	Ralston	20
	Mary Nancy Weigand	Ironia	17
Aug. 20	Jos. M. McWilliams	Stanhope, N. J.	21
	Clara B. Ayres	Port Morris, N. J.	18
Sept. 10	George B. Sherman	Asbury Park, N. J.	30
	Effie B. Martin	Maple Shade, N. J.	32
Sept. 14	Emory Willard Parks	Mt. Freedom, N. J.	21
	Marion Josephine Chambers-	Ironia, N.J.	17
Oct. 9	Courtlandt Vincent Guerin-	Mendham, N.J.	29
	Hannah Mathilda Ballou	" "	24

Rev. C. J. Hoyt - Clergyman

1909	Geo. DeGroot Kagan	Ralston	24
Apr. 17	Eliza J. Gaston	"	18
May 2	Sam. Armstrong	Dover, N. J.	22
	Elsie DeGrau	" "	21
May 2	Floyd L. Hannaha	Dover, N. J.	21
	Grace DeGrau	" "	19
May 29	David W. Molton	Mendham, N. J.	
	Emma Kaggen	" "	30
1910	Albert Stevens	Dover, N. J.	20
Mar. 5	Lydia Lyons	Rockaway	21
May 25	Conrad E. Kesler	Mendham, N. J.	23
	Margaret Lowrie	Ireland	35





June 15	David Woodruff	Mendham, N. J.	20
	Ada L. Schenck	Brookside	24
Nov. 16	William F. Lowery	Mendham, N. J.	33
	Mary Eudora Colville	" "	25

Rev. Frank Chadwick

1912	Melvin Lee Carley	Mendham, N. J.	28
Oct. 31	Mabel Van Nest	" "	29
Nov. 9	William Albert LaForce	Mendham, N. J.	30
	Marion Louisea Emmons	" "	31
1913	Earl Spong	Mendham, N. J.	22
Jan. 11	Anna A. Touminen	" "	26
Mar. 1	Eliner Elsworth Ammerman	Mendham, N. J.	23
	Elizabeth May Cole	" "	20
Mar. 9	Andrew Beam	Gladstone	44
	Lizzie Perry	Mendham, Tws.	29
June 18	Gustave Logan Day <sup>23</sup>	Mendham	22
	Lulu Burd Apgar	Mendham	20
Oct. 1	George F. Hankinson	Mendham	28
	Ethel E. Bjorkhurd	"	22
1914	Desmond Roy Philhower	Chester Tws.	23
Feb. 27	Catherine Smith McCollum	" "	18
Nov. 28	Clarence Collet Lindenberry	Mendham	34
	Fanny Etta Swock	"	32

Rev. W. S. McCowan

1915	Gener. (?) G. Apgar	Califon, N. J.	24
Oct. 20	Edna H. Hann	Pleasant Gr. N.J.	35
Dec. 18	Thomas Bumpus (?)	Mendham	48
	Edna Branch (?)	"	18

1916 Rev. Chas. E. Collerd

May 18	Wilbur C. Shipley	Mendham	21
	Madeline Anna Walters	"	18
Sept. 27	John Neighbor Hoffman	Mendham	28
	Agnes Louise Bockoven	"	28





Oct. 14	Frank Lewis	Mendham	30
	Ida Fordham Cochran	"	23
Oct. 28	Raymond Van Nest Carley	Mendham	23
	Marion Lulu Burnett	"	21
1917	Lawrence Frederick Teets	Ralston	24
Feb. 3	Elizabeth Hurle Backer	"	20
May 18	Walter Arthur Rodefeller	Mendham	24
	Sarah Estella Ammerman	"	22
Aug. 20	Wilfred Harold Channings	Newton	22
	Wilhelmina Peterman	Mendham	27
Sept. 16	Walter Van Zile	Mendham	40
	Nellie Van Dever	"	22
Nov. 17	Edward De Ronde	Mendham	60
	Anna L. Kinsey	Roseladd, N.J.	60
1918	Joseph Hoffman Walsh	Spencer, Mass.	29
Feb. 4	Edna Frances Emmons	Mendham	24
Aug. 31	Richard Wm. Bamrick	Morristown	27
	Carla Louisa Nelson	Mendham	22
1919	Jos. Hoffman Jones	Morristown	25
Feb. 6	Lydia Lulu Sliker	Mendham	22
Apr. 26	Frank Daniel Bockoven	Brookside	23
	Elsie Barker Garra-brant	"	25
Aug. 12	Alfred Edw. Hampson	Bloomfield	25
	Clara Little Woodhull	Brookside	29
Nov. 27	Arthur Chambers	Ralston	27
	Mabel Anna Hildebrant	"	19

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# THE INCORPORATION OF THE MILL BROOK, WALNUT GROVE, AND MENDHAM CHURCHES

At the Morris County Clerk's office, Morristown, the records of the incorporation certificates for the three churches Mill Brook, (now Millbrook), Walnut Grove, (now Mt. Freedom), and Mendham, appear in the following order. They are here quoted in full.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN RANDOLPH Bk. A (R.S.) p. 62. Mill Brook, Randolph Township, 10th April 1832. Pursuant to a public notice by advertisement according to law, a meeting of the members of the Methodist Society in the vicinity of Mill Brook in the Township of Randolph, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey was held at the Mill Brook School House on the sixth day of April A. D. 1832, to adopt measures for erecting a meeting House and to elect Trustees preparatory to an incorporation of said society under the Act entered, "An Act to incorporate the Trustees of Religious Societies, passed June 12, 1794."

We the subscribers do hereby certify that at the meeting aforesaid, we were duly elected Trustees, that we have accepted the Trust in us reposed, that we have sworn to and subscribed to the several Oaths prescribed in the fifth section of the above named Act, and that we have taken upon ourselves the name of "TRUSTEES OF THE FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE TOWNSHIP OF RANDOLPH".

Given under hand and seal at Mill Brook the day and year first written.

Halmagh Sisco  
James Morison  
Jacob Lawrance  
Elisha B. Mott  
Robert Parsons Jr.  
Horace S. Cooper  
Alexander Dickerson

Received and Recorded 23 May, 1832.

David Day-Clerk.





## THE METHODIST MEETING AT WALNUT GROVE. Bk. A (R. S.) p. 144.

To the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Morris. Whereas the Religious Society and Congregation usually meeting for public worship at Walnut Grove in the Township of Randolph, County of Morris, did assemble at their said place of meeting on the seventh day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, ten days previous notice of the time and purpose of assembling have been given by an advertisement set up in open view at such place of meeting, did by plurality of voices of such of the said Society and Congregation as were present, elect the subscribers of the said Society and Congregation to be Trustees of the same. Now therefore, we the said Trustees do hereby certify that we have taken upon ourselves the name of the TRUSTEES OF THE METHODIST MEETING AT WALNUT GROVE, and do request that this our certificate to be by you recorded according to law.

Witness our hands and seals this 7th day of August 1854 David Trowbridge

Edward Lewis

Elias Thompson

Nelson Cramer

P. L. Thompson

Samuel T. Lawrence

Enoch Roff Jr.

Received and Recorded March 13, 1855 Stanburrough-Clerk.

## MENDHAM METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Bk. B. (R.S.) p. 134.

To the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Morris, State of New Jersey. Whereas the religious society and congregation usually meeting for public worship at Mendham in the Township of Mendham, County of Morris, did assemble at their said place of meeting on the 13th day of April, 1881, ten days previous notice of the time and purpose of assembling having been given by advertisement set up in open view at such place of meeting, and when so assembled did by plurality of votes of such of the members of said society as were present, elect five of the said Society and Congregation to be Trustees of the same,- now therefore, we the said Trustees selected as aforesaid do hereby certify, That we have taken upon ourselves the name of "THE MENDHAM METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH" and do request this our certificate to be by you recorded according to law.

Witness our hands and seals this 15th day of October A. D. 1881.

Sealed and delivered  
in the presence of  
William Boyd  
Commissioner

Francis Oliver  
Amasa Leonard  
E. C. Blazure  
John Peppard  
L. Briant Fox



To the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Morris. Whereas the Religious Society and Congregation usually meeting for public worship at Walnut Grove in the Township of Randolph, County of Morris, did assemble at their said place of meeting on the seventh day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, ten days previous notice of the time and purpose of the said assembly being given by advertisement set up in open view at such place of meeting, did by plurality of votes of such of the members of said Society and Congregation, elect five of the said Society and Congregation to be Trustees of the same, - now therefore, we the said Trustees selected as aforesaid do hereby certify, that we have taken upon ourselves the name of the Religious Society and Congregation at Walnut Grove, and do request that this our certificate be by you recorded as law.

Witness our hands and seals this 7th day of

Received and Recorded March 15, 1855. Secretary of said Church.  
D. I. Thompson  
March 15, 1855.

the County of Morris, State of New Jersey. Whereas the Religious Society and Congregation usually meeting for public worship at Randolph in the Township of Randolph, County of Morris, did assemble at their said place of meeting on the seventh day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, ten days previous notice of the time and purpose of the said assembly being given by advertisement set up in open view at such place of meeting, and when so assembled did by plurality of votes of such of the members of said Society and Congregation, elect five of the said Society and Congregation to be Trustees of the same, - now therefore, we the said Trustees selected as aforesaid do hereby certify, that we have taken upon ourselves the name of the Religious Society and Congregation at Walnut Grove, and do request that this our certificate be by you recorded as law.

Witness our hands and seals this 7th day of

in the presence of  
Attest  
D. I. Thompson  
March 15, 1855.



THE FIRST METHODIST PARSONAGE LOT  
ABSTRACT OF THE DEED

The great need for owning a permanent home for the pastor led to the purchase of a parsonage lot in June of 1863. The erection of the house was an occasion of much importance in the church life. An abstract of the deed of the first parsonage lot gives the following information:

On the 25th day of June in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-three. Between Harris M. Day, Executor of Elizabeth G. Spencer, deceased.....of the Township of Mendham in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey... of the First Part, and the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Mendham, of the Township of Mendham..... of the Second Part..... In consideration of the sum of \$800.....

Beginning at a post of the door-yard fence, It being the south east corner of a lot of land belonging to the Estate of Benjamin Coe., Jr., deceased... Hence running along a line of the same.....

1. North 2°50' west 2 chains to a stake..
2. North 82° east 1 chain and 6 links thence...
3. South 2° 50' east 2 chains to the fence as it now stands on the north side of Washington Turnpike road, thence along the same.
4. South 82° west 1 chain and 6 links to the place of Beginning.

Containing 21 Hundredths of an acre of land.... The description of the above mentioned premises in the same as contained in a deed conveying the same to the said Elizabeth G. Spencer from John Cramer and wife dated March 19, 1855.

A story told by residents of Mendham is that the parsonage built on this lot was constructed from wooden boxes donated. The house still stands on its original site on West Main Street and is pointed out as a curiosity although it has been changed and improved from time to time, the peculiar overlapping of the boards on the sides of the house has been preserved.





## BISHOP EDMUND STORER JANES

Rev. Janes frequently referred to in Miss Oliver's history of the Mendham M. E. Church was best known as Bishop Edmund Storer Janes. He was born in Sheffield, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, April 27, 1807, the son of Benjamin and Sally (Wood) Janes, and one of a family of eight children. The Janes family traces its origin as far back as William Janes, born in Essex, England, during the reign of James I., about 1610. It is claimed that William was of the Kirtling family and that he came to this country with the John Davenport colony which landed first in Mass., in or near Boston. But moved on to New Haven Conn. about eight months later and settled there in 1637 (See Ridgway's "Life of Edmund S. Janes," and "The Janes Family..." by Rev. Frederick Janes, New York, 1868.)

Edmund Janes was a student of law and of medicine. He joined the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist church in 1830. In 1840 he was elected financial secretary of the American Bible Society. He was made a bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1844 at the early age of 37; he served in this capacity until 1876, and is said to have been beloved by the South as well as the North. He has been described as "cultured, urbane, broad-minded, and charitable, a magnificent specimen of Christian manhood." He died Sept. 18, 1876.

In Rev. W. B. Judd's booklet "A Tale of Three Villages (pp.39-41) Rev. J. E. Appley tells of Bishop Jane's influence upon the church life of Basking Ridge. In 1851 he had purchased a summer home in Bernardsville. The farm was where Somerset Inn now stands, on Bankers Mountain, and was called by Bishop Janes, "Mount Wesley." Rev. Appley says: "He was a man who, while carrying the burdens of the church at large as General Superintendent, had a lively interest in his immediate surroundings... Hence it was due to him that regular preaching was established in Basking Ridge. In 1853 he bought a house standing where the store of Mr. Henry Tobelman now is, fitted it up and gave the society the use of it. This point then became a stated appointment on the Bernardsville charge."





The society, however, wanted its own church structure and in July of that same year began the work. For various reasons it was difficult to get men who would attempt to "identify themselves with the beginning of an enterprise that might, they feared, be a failure." From a very early record the story of the difficulties which the society encountered are told, "Brother Day (Rev. William Day, the pastor) with his own hands, alone, commenced the digging of the cellar, and Bishop Janes with his ox-team carted the first stone for the foundation....on a hot July day in 1853; the pastor of the church worked with him drawing stones for three days".....

Ridgway adds to this story (Life of Edmund Janes p. 168) the fact that a Christian lawyer met them on the road and exclaimed: "Why, Bishop Janes, is that you! Drawing stones for your farm?" The Bishop replied, "We don't draw stones for the farm, but we will draw a few for the Lord when needed." "It means," said the Bishop, "that the stones will be drawn - the church has got to be built." The church was dedicated in 1854.

Bishop Janes was much loved by the people of the neighboring villages and no service that he could render was denied them. Mendham especially felt the uplifting power of his spirit.





## GENEALOGICAL ANNOTATIONS

by

Helen Martha Wright

1. (p. 2) DANIEL MILLEN, one of the founders and leaders of Methodism in Mendham, and for many years the Recording Steward of the Official Board, inherited through his mother's family a strong Dutch conscience which gave him a practical turn of mind in connection with his efforts to uphold spiritual ideals.

His mother, Sarah Wyckoff, was the daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Vanarsdale) Wyckoff, one of Mendham's earliest families. Jacob's parents were Martin (1719-1803) and Sarah (Van Neste) Wyckoff who settled on the Mountain near Readington, Somerset Co... Martin (son of Peter) built there the old stone house which still stands and in which seven generations have been born. Jacob was born in 1747. After his marriage he settled in Mendham, along Brook Road west of the village. His oldest son Isaac married Abigail Thompson, daughter of Daniel Haines and Sarah (Crane) Thompson, who had apparently moved to Mendham when Sarah Thompson joined the Presbyterian Church from South Hanover, Oct. 15, 1814. Isaac's branch of the family is well known in Stroudsburg where they settled after starting the four horse stage coach lines between New York City and Monroe County, Pa.

Jacob Wyckoff's youngest daughter Sarah married Robert Millen, the father of the above named Daniel, and settled in Mendham. Daniel was their fifth child in a family of ten. Miss Anna M. Wyckoff of Stroudsburg says: "From the first Peter (Wyckoff) on down, we have been religiously inclined to the Presbyterian Church and the Dutch Reformed. ... My grandfather (Isaac) and his family were all members of the Hill Top Presbyterian Church of Mendham. When the Methodists built a church.... my grandparents and one son Daniel... joined them..... When Uncle Dan would try to persuade my father the only gate to Heaven was via the Methodist Church, I remember my father's saying, "Dannie, it was ordained from the beginning that I should be a Presbyterian and I can't change God's plans."

Thus the kindly, and sometimes bitter, struggle over religion was apparent, but through the zeal of such kindly men as Daniel Wyckoff, Daniel Millen, Robert Woodruff, and others the Methodist church grew in numbers and prosperity and has strengthened the characters of the men and women who came under its influence. In the Hill Top cemetery is found the inscription for this loyal follower of Methodism: "Daniel Millen, born March 28, 1808, Died October 12, 1881." Just below is that of his faithful companion, "His Wife, Marinda A. Bonnell, Born April 6, 1809 - Died October 11, 1880." They had no children.





2. (p. 4) WALNUT GROVE, now known as Mount Freedom, was closely associated at first with Mill Brook, and Dover. The former was the Mother Church of that part of Randolph Township. For a number of years Methodist services were held in the large old stone barn belonging to Sylvanus Lawrence (see Dover Dates by Chas. Platt) which was kept immaculately clean in the part used for that purpose. Located on the old highway from New York through Morristown to Newton and the upper part of the state, The GROVE was a convenient stopping place for the pack horse riders and the stage coaches. As Randolph Township grew and the Methodist church became a circuit charge, one finds it shifted from one circuit to another. Thus the marriage records, baptisms etc., are found with the Methodist records at Succasunna from 1857 through 1862. From 1863 through 1870 they are in the Mendham church records; for later dates one must travel to Mill Brook. There were probably no very early records there, at least none exist. The union of the Mendham and WALNUT GROVE records is shown distinctly in the Second List of Mendham Church Members, which contains the names of many families from the GROVE not mentioned in the list of 1862. The Minutes also show the connection.
3. (p. 4) JOHN PEPPARD'S monument in the Hill Top cemetery states the following:
- South Side: William Peppard 1787 - 1886  
Rosenna Peppard His wife 1791-1878
- North Side: John Peppard 1819 - 1908  
Mary Woodruff His Wife 1825-1877  
Harriet Osborn His Wife 1839-1909
4. (p. 4) ROBERT WOODRUFF, born Oct. 10, 1811, died Aug. 4, 1904, married Eliza Groff who was born Dec. 22, 1816, died November 2, 1884. Both Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff were devoted Methodists, and their love for the church was carried forward in the lives of their children. Rev. Chas. S. Woodruff, their son, served the Newark Conference many years and is now retired. His wife Laura B., born Aug. 2, 1849, died June 1, 1893, was a sister of Dr. George De Groot. His second wife was Mary Leonard, a sister of Bishop Adna Leonard; the Bishop married Mary Day.



and Dover. The former was the Mother Church of that part of Randolph Township. For a number of years Methodist services were held in the large old stone building on the corner of the town. Dover, noted by Green, Bluff, which was built in 1800, located on the old highway from New York through Morrisstown to Newton and the upper part of the state. The Green was a convenient stopping place for the back house roads and the stage coaches. As Randolph Township grew and the Methodist church became a civil center, and it shifted from one site to another. The records of the Methodist records at Shrewsbury are in the hands of the records for later dates and are listed in the Mill Brook. There were probably no very early records here, at least none exist. The names of the members and their families are listed in the second list of members of the church, which contains the names of many families from the GROVE not mentioned in the list of 1882. The Minutes also show the connection.

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Rev.<sup>C.</sup> Clarence Woodruff, son of Rev. Charles S. Woodruff is now pastor of the Centenary Church, Newark, N. J. There are several generations of this family buried in the Hill Top Cemetery.

5. (p. 4) PHILEMON THOMPSON, and his father Elias, were for many years faithful supporters of the Walnut Grove church, and leaders in their spiritual life. Both were trustees when the Walnut Grove church was incorporated, Aug. 7, 1854. Philemon was the oldest child of Elias and Mary (Lawrence) Thompson. He was born 1832, died Dec. 4, 1870 at the age of 38 years, 1 month, and 26 days. He married (1) Julia Ludlow of Washington Valley, Morris Co., in May of 1857; she died April 12, 1861 leaving him with two children Alice and John. He married (2) on Nov. 27, 1862, Sarah Garrabrant, sister of Hon. Cornelius Garrabrant, New Jersey Assemblyman. His children by this marriage were Lucy, who has lived a long and charitable life as a member of the Presbyterian church of Succasunna, and Edward who married Orbiletta Merchant, daughter of Frank, and granddaughter of Daniel P. Merchant. After PHILEMON'S death his wife Sarah married Nelson Hughson of Mt. Freedom.

- 6-7 (p. 5) EARL FAIRCHILD CONNETT lived in Waterville, a village now known as Brookside but called Water Street in the earlier days, about two miles from Mendham. He was the son of Stephen Earl and Belinda (Dean) Connet of the same place. He carried on his father's business as a saw-miller and lumber dealer. He married Cornelia E. Thompson, daughter of Elias and Mary (Lawrence) Thompson, Dec. 25, 1856, and had a family of seven children. His interest in the Walnut Grove church continued to the end of his life; even though his family preferred the nearer church at Mendham, he rarely missed a service at the Grove. His long life (Aug. 24, 1826-Feb. 19, 1914) was one of faithfulness to his family and his church; his active life in the open air kept him vigorous until his last short illness. He never drank and he never smoked. His wife survived him five years and died on the anniversary of his death, Feb. 19, 1919. She was born June 19, 1836. Their eldest son was Dr. George Cramer Connet of Morristown, who married Blanche Kingsbury of Cassopolis, Mich. Their eldest daughter, Mary Belinda, married Jacob Washburn, a lawyer of New York City; Clara Connett married Rev. John R. Wright, then pastor of the Mendham M. E. church; Emma Connett married Dr. Frank Sharp Carpenter, of Newark; Manning Connett married Myrtie Beidleman from Washington, N. J.



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a member of the Presbyterian church of Rochester, and  
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EARL CONNET'S grandparents were Samuel and Elizabeth (Earle) Connet, members of the Walnut Grove Presbyterian church. The tombstones of both of them, as well as those of Stephen and Belinda Connet, are in the Presbyterian cemetery there, now Mt. Freedom. Earl Connet and his wife are buried near the Thompson plot in the Methodist cemetery.

8. (p. 7) HENRY LORE - The spelling of this surname was usually LOREE. In the very early days it was sometimes LORRING, or LORAIN.
9. (p. 8) BARNABAS BRUIN THOMPSON was the youngest child of Daniel Haines and Sarah (Crane) Thompson of Water Street (Brookside) N. J. He was born Feb. 17, 1806 in Madison, N. J., died at his home in Washington Valley, July 26, 1893. He married Phebe Phillips Arnold (daughter of Col. Jacob Arnold and his second wife Sarah H. Nixon) at Washington Valley, Feb. 24, 1830. His eighth child William married at Mendham, Jan. 1st, 1870 Hannah Groff and lived at Green Village. George Thompson, son of William, is a well known resident of Mendham. He married Elizabeth Gunther.
10. (p. 8) ELIAS THOMPSON was one of the founders of the Walnut Grove M. E. Church. He was born in a Presbyterian family, the eighth child of Daniel (Haines) and Sarah (Crane) Thompson of Bottle Hill, New Vernon, and Mendham. He adopted the Methodist church when he married Mary Lawrence, the daughter of Daniel and Sibillia (Doty) Lawrence. He was a cobbler by trade and kept up a substantial farm which his wife inherited from her father. Their old stone house offered a hearty welcome to the clergymen and elders visiting the Walnut Grove church. It was not far from the Meeting House. Mrs. Thompson's father Daniel Lawrence was the son of Sylvanus Lawrence and Jemima Dickerson, one of the earliest Methodist families in this neighborhood. Mrs. Thompson was an angel of mercy to her community; no hour of the day or night would find her too busy to minister some homely brew to a neighbor in sickness. Many of her old recipes for maladies have been handed down in writing.

Belmont County, Ohio, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of the act.

The act is hereby approved and the Governor is authorized to issue the necessary orders and regulations to carry out the provisions of the act.

Approved this 10th day of March, 1904.

WILLIAM THOMPSON, Governor

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After Mrs. Thompson's death, her daughter Cornelia took up the duties as hostess of her father's home, and among her letters are found earnest expressions of appreciation of her hospitality, from clergymen and relatives. She apparently had many cousins living on Long Island.

Elias Thompson was a twin of Elijah who died in infancy. They were born in Bottle Hill, March 25, 1801. The date on this tombstone in the Walnut Grove M. E. cemetery gives the year as 1800, but two old family bibles, one in the Thompson and one in the Wyckoff family, give the latter year. He died March 19, 1865; his wife died Oct. 20, 1853, in her 49th year. Mary Thompson's grave was the first one in the Methodist burying ground. Elias's father, Daniel Haines Thompson was the fourth child of Deacon Jonathan and Abigail (Haines) Thompson of Elizabeth Town and Bottle Hill. Deacon Jonathan (1734-Dec. 20, 1817) owned 152 acres in Madison known as the Pine Tree Farm. This he sold to Samuel DeHart in 1790. After his wife, Abigail Haines Thompson died, March 27, 1791, (aged 57 years) he married (2) Rhoda Pierson, widow of Isaac, Oct. 10, 1791. When Deacon Jonathan died the Palladium of Liberty, at Morristown, published the following death notice: "(Dec. 25, 1817) Near this Town, on Thursday last suddenly, Mr. Jonathan Thompson, aged 84 years (died). For many years he sustained the office of Deacon and Elder in the church at Bottle Hill, which responsible station he filled with credit to himself and honor to the cause of Christ. The righteous have hope in death." It is interesting to find that the burial plot of Daniel Haines Thompson at Hill Top cemetery in Mendham has four marble corner stones bearing the initials "D.H.T." and in the center of the plot is an old pine tree.

The children of Elias and Mary Thompson were Philemon, William and Cornelia. (Cornelia Connet) William Thompson (born 1834, died April 5, 1894) married Emma C. Cory daughter of Timothy and Clara (Lee) Cory. During the Civil War he fought with the First New York Regiment, Engineers, Volunteers - Co. K.- 1861 to 1866. He and his wife are buried in the Methodist cemetery at Succasunna. Their children were: Bertha, married Henry Clark; Howard, married Alice Beans; Clifford; Homer; Clarence married Dorothy King, daughter of George and Caroline (Hilts) King of Succasunna.





11. (p. 8) JOHN V. WYCKOFF and MARTHA, according to Earle E. Wyckoff's notebook on the descendants of Jacob Wyckoff of Mendham Township, were the children of John and Elizabeth (Cooper) Wyckoff. His grandparents were Jacob and Sarah (Vanarsdale) Wyckoff. John V., born 1801 died 1866, married Rachel Jane Chapman, born 1808, died 1888. His children were: Henrietta who married Rev. Sylvester Armstrong; William married Helen Luty; Sarah V.; Martha E.; Caroline married Henry Bennett; Nehemiah; Anna Mary married Isaac Macklow; Charles E. married Mary Finegar.
12. (p. 9) CALEB HARRISON WARD married Rebecca Thompson daughter of Lewis Thompson of Mendham. Elizabeth Murphy Ward, their daughter married Edward William Elliot; Charlotte married Frank Elliot, brother of Edward (see pages 21 and 23); Harriet married William DeMott; Melinda (or Linn) (p. 19) married Edward Madison; Amanda married James Woodhouse; Anna married George Taggart; William married Emma Cockrem; Albert, Luther and Clara died unmarried. Caleb Ward's sister Elizabeth married Hon. Franklin Murphy, once Governor of New Jersey, <sup>the father of</sup> - <sup>his first wife.</sup>
13. (p. 16) FRANCIS OLIVER, son of Francis Oliver, came to America from Loch Earsk a small town near Donegal, Ireland, July 4, 1847 and settled first at Bernardsville, Somerset Co., N. J., a village seven miles from Mendham then known as Vealtown. He was affiliated with the Bernardsville M. E. Church in 1848 and there married Mary Watson, daughter of Aaron Watson of that place. For many years he was superintendent of the estate which was bought in 1851 by Bishop E. S. Janes. He continued in the same position during the Bishop's ownership of the place and when the latter removed Mr. Oliver bought it for his own residence. His wife Mary Watson died Feb. 9, 1853, and his daughter Margaret died in 1854; both are buried in the old cemetery at Bernardsville. Mr. Oliver married again on April 21, 1872, Mary Stinson, the daughter of Archibald and Elizabeth (Allen) Stinson and to them were born four daughters, Mary Elizabeth, Harriet, Moffat, Eva Frances, and Nellie Seymour.

In 1879 Mr. Oliver removed his family from Bernardsville to Mendham, buying the residence built by Joseph Watkins about 1844. It was a fine type of colonial architecture, set back in a beautiful grove of trees, and for many years Mr. and Mrs. Oliver opened their home to boarders. Many persons of culture and refinement enjoyed their hospitality. The







estate was purchased later by Ex-Governor Franklin Murphy and the large white house, distinguished by its tall columns across the front, was torn down. The place is now owned by George Washington, the manufacturer of the George Washington coffee.

Mary (Stinson) Oliver died Sept. 1, 1901 and is buried in Hill Top cemetery beside her husband. Her mother was Elizabeth Allen, daughter of David and Lydia (Martin) Allen of Bernardsville. David Allen was the son of Samuel Allen who is said to have come from the County Tyrone, Ireland, to America some time in the eighteenth century.

Mr. Oliver was a devoted Methodist and gave liberally of his time and money in the service of the Mendham, as well as the Bernardsville, church. The records show that he was a trustee of the Mendham church a number of years and was its president part of that time. He died April 1897.

14. (p. 21) REV. J. R. WRIGHT. After graduating from Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J. in 1877, Mr. Wright went from Market Street Church in Newark, where his student pastorate had been, to Louisburg, Kansas. There he had a circuit charge which he enjoyed and always talked much of, but his young wife, nee Ella Milligan of Newark, N. J., died there and he returned east with his infant son in October of 1878. He asked for an appointment in the Newark Conference and was sent to Green Village in 1879. His second appointment was at Mendham in 1880.

In speaking of Mr. Wright's pastorate in an account of Methodism in Mendham, Dr. Ralph Urmy wrote in 1899 (see "Tale of Three Villages" p. 59).

"The membership was increased, the parsonage was built on a lot adjoining the church at a cost of about \$2500. Through the unsolicited generosity of George I. Seney, the church was painted and frescoed at a cost of \$1000. Mendham's substantial and attractive parsonage is largely a monument to the administrative powers of Brother Wright. He is now the efficient Presiding Elder of the Jersey City District."

As a matter of fact, Mr. Wright was twice elected to the six year term as Presiding Elder, later called District Superintendent, of the Jersey City District, first in 1898 and again in 1916. He served a number of years on the <sup>committees</sup> National Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, and on many other committees





and boards of the Newark Conference. He had a legal turn of mind and it is noted that even in this early pastorate at Mendham one finds evidence of this influence. The Morris County Clerk's records show that the first mention of the incorporation of the Methodist Church of Mendham was in October of 1881. (See p. 32).

At the end of Mr. Wright's pastorate he married a member of one of his church families, Clara L. Connett, the daughter of Earl Fairchild Connett and his wife Cornelia E. Thompson, of the neighboring village of Brookside. He took his bride to his new appointment, the First M.E. Church of Orange, N. J., in the spring of 1883.

Mr. Wright lived to serve the Methodist church fifty three years (1875-1928), all but two of these years being in the Newark Conference. In 1903 he received the honorary degree of D. D. from New York University. This came to him as an entire surprise. He was born in Prospectville, Horsham Township, Montgomery County, Pa., October 13, 1847, the son of Samuel DeHaven and Martha (Taylor) Wright. On March 6, 1928 he passed on suddenly. He is buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Upper Dublin Lutheran Church, Ambler, Pa., with other members of his family. His son Rutherford died in infancy; he has three daughters living; Helen, Ethel and Clara Linda, the only children of his second marriage.

15. (p. 21) EDWARD WILLIAM ELLIOTT, the highly respected citizen and Mayor of Mendham, had a strong Irish inheritance. His paternal grandparents were John Elliott of County Cavan, Ireland, and Margaret King, and through their son John Elliott and his wife Margaret Cooper he came into the family, the oldest of ten children, born 1855 in Metuchen, N. J. and died 1917. His brothers and sisters were: Francis Cooper, Alicia Ann, Mary Catherine, Margaret Elizabeth, Martha Ann, John Joseph, Thomas Whitfield, Robert Adolphus, James Wesley. His maternal grandparents were Edward Cooper of Kennity, King's County, Ireland, and his wife Alicia Whitfield, Queen's County, Ireland. Margaret Cooper's brothers and sisters were: Edward, Mary, Joseph, Francis, Alicia, Thomas, Elizabeth, Margaret, John, two Williams, and two Catherines.





16. (p. 22) MARY WRIGHT was the sister of Rev. John R. Wright, born in Prospectville, Horsham Township, Montgomery County, Pa. She went to Mendham with her brother in 1880 to keep house for him. While there she married William Osborn of Stanhope and a short time after they moved to Newark, New Jersey. This branch of the Wright family is not connected with the Wrights of Randolph township, as far as can be found. The Wrights of this locality have an interesting history of their own.
17. (p. 25) REV. WILLIAM H. MORGAN, of Welsh extraction, was born at Whiton Park, England Jan. 18, 1861, the son of John and Mary (Williams) Morgan. His father was a puddler in a steel foundry and came to America with part of his family, leaving him with relatives in England. At the age of nine years his uncle brought him to America to join his family. At ten he was working in one of the Ohio ~~furnaces~~. At the age of twenty-one he became converted and determined to preach the gospel, but he had a continual struggle to educate himself and at the same time help his family. Until he was twenty-three he helped his parents build their home, then he went to college. He graduated from Hamline University, B. A. in 1889. Under the auspices of the Home Missionary Society he did some excellent work in Wisconsin, then he came east to attend Drew Theological Seminary, now Drew University, Madison, N. J. There he took his degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1892. He served Port Morris, N. J. as a student pastor, and there also worked in the ~~forges~~. *No words there error.* Hamline University, Minnesota; gave him the degree of D. D. in 1906, and L.L.D. in 1914.

His first charge was Mendham, 1893-1896. It was there he demonstrated his power to appeal to young people and to strengthen the spiritual life of those seeking religious association. Young and old felt the power of the Word which he preached and lived. After four successful years at Mendham, Rev. Morgan accepted a call to Central M. E. Church, Newark, (1897-1913). For sixteen years he was the popular preacher of that city. In the spring of 1913 he went to a wider field, the Metropolitan pulpit of Calvary Methodist Church, New York City, where, as one paper has said of him, "for seven years strong men, needy men, thronged to hear his message."

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(p. 22) HARRY WHITNEY was the father of Mrs. John H. Whitney, born in Massachusetts, 1840. He was a prominent member of the Unitarian Church, and was one of the founders of the Unitarian Society in New York City. He was also a member of the American Unitarian Society, and was one of the founders of the Unitarian Society in New York City. He was also a member of the American Unitarian Society, and was one of the founders of the Unitarian Society in New York City.

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(p. 23) REV. WILLIAM E. HERRON, of Welsh origin, was born in 1840, in the town of Llanelli, Glamorgan, Wales. He was educated at the Llanelli National School, and at the Llanelli Training College. He was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1862, and served in various churches in Wales and England. He was also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and was one of the founders of the Baptist Union of Great Britain. He was also a member of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and was one of the founders of the Baptist Union of Great Britain.

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In 1921 he went to First Church, Baltimore, Md., said to be the Mother Church in Methodism. After two years there, his health broke, and he retired from regular preaching, preferring the field of evangelism.

Dr. Morgan married Miss Chalmers, daughter of William and Elizabeth Chalmers. By this marriage his children were, William, John L., Carrie, Luretta, and Gladys. His own brothers and sisters were, David, Thomas, Joseph, John, Hannah, and Martha.

18. (p. 26) At Mendham, Dr. Morgan was followed by REV. RALPH BRAINERD URMY, another young minister full of energy and spiritual power. He had attended the College of the Pacific from 1883 to 1886, then he went into business for six years. In 1892 he entered Garret Biblical Institute for a year, but decided to come east to attend Drew Theological Seminary, (now Drew University) at Madison, N. J. He received his B. D. from Drew in 1924, and in 1908 Allegheny College gave him the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

On June 30, 1897 Dr. Urmey married Marion F. Saxe, daughter of George G. and Hulda (Merwin) Saxe of Brooklyn. Their children were; Herbert, (deceased) Thomas Van Orden, Ralph Brainerd Jr., Keith Merwin, and Marion Mabel.

The following list of his appointments will show the strength and character of his work:

Sandford St., East Orange, 1896-97  
 Mendham, New Jersey, 1897-1900  
 East Orange, N. J., 1900 - Oct. 1903  
 (three and a half years)  
 Morristown, N. J., 1904 - 1914  
 Centenary Church, Newark, N. J., 1914-1921  
 Bellevue Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1921-1928  
 Editor, Pittsburgh Christian Advocate,  
 1928-1932  
 Bellevue Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., 1932-1934  
 Westfield, N. J. 1934 -





19. (p. 27) REV. GEORGE MOONEY was one of the most highly respected and best loved pastors appointed to the Mendham church. He was born in New York City, May 6, 1863, and died at his home in Summit, N. J. Jan. 15, 1929. He had a broad education, beginning with his preparation for college at Centenary Collegiate Institute, Hackettstown, N. J. He attended Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., (1890-92) two years, but took his B. A. from Northwestern University, <sup>1894</sup> Later Wesleyan University honored him with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He took special work at Drew Seminary, Madison, N. J. 1900-1901.

On July 5, 1894 he married Caroline Emerson at Haverhill, Mass. They had two children, Wandell McMaster, and Faith Emerson. His first appointment, was Lander, Wyoming, in the Northwest Nebraska Conference. In 1896 he transferred to the Newark Conference, N. J. and received the following appointments: Hilton, Caldwell, Mendham, Plainfield, (Monroe Ave.), So. Orange, Madison, Grace Church Paterson, Nutley, and Oakes Memorial Summit. His Irish inheritance gave him a keen sense of humor; his devotion to his work and his eloquence in preaching made him an all-round pastor.

20. (p. 28) GEORGE J. FERRY JR. was the son of Hon. George J. Ferry, Senior son of Sylvester and Emily (Downing) Ferry. He married Anna May Elliott, the daughter of Edward W. and Elizabeth (Ward) Elliott of Mendham, and became a resident of Montclair, N. J. after his marriage.

HON. GEORGE J. FERRY was born in Brooklyn, New York, Nov. 28, 1830, a nephew of the Hon. Andrew Jackson and Charles Downing of Newburgh, N. Y. Mr. Ferry was converted Nov. 7, 1848, and immediately united with the Methodist Episcopal church of his adopted city. He removed to Newark, N. J., Nov. 1853 and entered into the business of making and selling a high grade of felt hats. He was successful from the beginning. His talent, honesty, and generosity gave him a high reputation, and in trade he rose to a considerable degree of affluence. He was most charitably inclined toward Methodist institutions, especially the Centenary Collegiate Institute of Hackettstown, New Jersey, to which he gave over \$100,000 at one time. He gave not only his money but his time and thought. He personally supervised the planting of the trees and shrubery about the Centenary Collegiate Institute in the completion of his gift. He was President of the Board of Trustees of the Institute for thirty-six years (1874 - 1910), and President Emeritus from 1911 to 1916.





In the Methodist Episcopal Church at large he was a lay member of the Board of Trustees of the General Missionary Society, 1868 to 1904. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Drew Theological Seminary, 1870-1917. He was also a lay member of the General Conference of the Methodist church, an office which called for clear deliberation and sound judgment, in 1876. Although he lived<sup>m</sup> two or three places, he was best known as a resident of Orange, N. J., where he was twice elected Mayor. He was appointed by Governor Randolph to be one of the members on the Commission to revise the laws of the state of New Jersey.

About 1895 he purchased the farm and house then owned by Byram Thompson of Mendham, located beyond the Hill Top Presbyterian church on the old road to Bernardsville. There he built a summer home and for many years spent a large part of his time in residence until 1905. Wherever he was his service was demanded by the Board of Trustees. He was President of the Boards in his church at Orange, Newark, East Orange and Mendham. He was one of the promoters of the building of the stone church at Mendham.

Looking back to Revolutionary times, members of the Ferry family recall the patriotic service of their ancestor, Eliphalet Ferry who enlisted as a private in the 6th Company, Danbury, Conn. under Capt. Noble Benedict, in the 5th Regiment under Col. David Waterbury of Stamford, Conn. He enlisted May 22, 1775 and was discharged Dec. 13, 1775. His regiment, recruited mainly from Fairfield, Conn., had a record which corresponded with that of Gen. Worcester's First Regiment up to the siege of St. John's near Montreal in October 1775.

In the burying ground back of the Congregational Church in Bethel, Conn., one finds the following tombstone inscriptions belonging to this family.

Eliphalet Ferry - died Feb. 12, 1827, aged 74 years and 8 months.

In Memory of Mary, wife of Eliphalet Ferry, who died Oct. 10, 1837, aged 83 years and 10 months.





The following inscriptions are those of Mary's parents:

In memory of Nathan Taylor who died October 29, 1789, in the 82nd year of his age.

In memory of Mary, wife of Nathan Taylor, who died Nov. 9, 1808, in the 97 year of her age.

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Children of Eliphalet Ferry and Mary Taylor his wife, without respect to order.

Mary, or Maria, married a Benedict. She had one daughter Maria, who married Winthrop Fairchild.

Sarah, married Isaac M. Seelye; their children were Nathan and Eliza.

Ann, married Isaac Duncourt and had two children.

Captain Noah T. Ferry (War of 1812), married a Barnum. They had several Children: Darius, George, Harrison, Eli, Olive, Harriet, Sarah Ann, and others.

Eli married \_\_\_\_\_ and had two sons, Frank, and William.

Sylvester married Emily Downing; their children were, Frances, George, Milton and perhaps others.

21. (p. 15) It is believed by good authority that "JOHN NEWMAN BLACK" is an error on the part of the recorder. Early residents and members of the church well remember the conversion of Benjamin Newman Black, the capable and well educated young school teacher at Brookside, and his joining the Mendham church late in the seventies. He was the son of Jonathan and Ann Black of Stanhope. After leaving Mendham he taught in Basking Ridge, and it was while there that he married Emma Kaiser, daughter of Nathaniel and Katherine (Losey) Kaiser of Brookside, Nov. 24, 1881. He died Jan. 1922 and is buried in the Hill Top cemetery. His son Austin lives in Oakland, California; Louise is married and lives in Los Angeles; Alice married G. L. Wheeler and lives in Montclair, N. J. There is no other family by the name of Black, known in this vicinity.





22. (p. 20) FREDERICK DEAN and MARY ALICE PHOENIX were the parents of Frank V. Dean who has served the Township of Mendham for many years as its efficient Clerk. Mr. Frank Dean married Susan Mae Clark of Brookside.
23. (p. 29) GUSTAVE LOGAN DAY is the son of Charles H. and Margaretta (Connet) Day of Mendham, one of the old families of the Presbyterian Church. During the twelve years (1923 - 1935) Mr. Charles Day held the honored office of Mayor of Mendham, the borough grew and many improvements were introduced. Margaretta Day was the daughter of Madison and Samantha (Lawrence) Connett of Brookside, early members of the Methodist church. Madison Connet was the owner of the grist mill and the general store at Brookside.
24. In Miss Oliver's Historical Sketch of the Mendham Methodist Episcopal Church (pp.13,15) reference is made to MR. GEORGE I. SENEY a prominent New York business man who had a summer home at Bernardsville. His influence upon that community was felt in many ways. He was instrumental, with several others, in having a branch of the Delaware, Lackawana and Western Rail Road extended through Bernardsville. As a Methodist he was recognized at Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., by being elected a member of the Board of Trustees from 1888 to 1893. (See Drew Alumni Record, pub. 1929, p. 11).
25. In Rev. W. B. Judd's booklet called "A Tale of Three Villages, Bernardsville, Basking Ridge, Mendham," published at Bernardsville in 1898 he quotes (p. 4) a letter written by REV. RICHARD VAN HORN, one of the early pastors of the Mendham M. E. church, which adds a bit of local color to the early church life of this vicinity. Rev. Van Horn was in Newark at the time of his writing in 1898.
- "My first sight of Bernardsville was in the forenoon of June 9th 1841, when I passed through the place on horseback on my way to Cokesbury circuit, as a supply from the presiding elder, to be junior preacher to the Rev. George Banghart. The place was then, and for many years afterwards, known as "Vealtown."
- "In 1841 I was sent to Peapack and Mendham charge (records say 1844) which embraced a school house appointment, known as the "Mountain school house," where we had a class organization, and where I preached with more or less regularity. We had in that vicinity some sturdy Methodist families whose piety and loyalty left as impression on my mind which I carry to this day.



(p. 20) WENDONICK DASH and WENDY ALTON PHOENIX were the parents of Frank V. Dash who was served the term...

(p. 21) GUSTAVE MORRIS DAY is the son of Charles H. and Margaret (Jones) Day of Memphis, one of the... 1923 - 1925 Mr. Gustave Day held the... the borough grew... and many improvements were introduced. Margaret Day was the daughter of Madison and Amanda (Lawrence)...

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...is made to Mr. G. I. SMITH a prominent New York business man who had a summer home at Bernardsville. He was interested in many ways. He was a member of the Delaware, Hackensack and Western Rail Road extended through Bernardsville. As a Methodist he was recognized at New Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., by being elected a member of the board of trustees from 1906 to 1908. (See first Alumni Record, pp. 1909, p. 11).

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In 1901, a... of Three Villages, Bernardsville, Breinig Hill, Pennsylvania. Published in Bernardsville, the fact he... adds a bit of local color to the early church life of this vicinity. Rev. Van Horn was in Newark at the time...

"My first sight of Bernardsville was in the forenoon of June 2nd last, when I passed through the place on horseback on my way to Goshenbury church, as...

...organization, and where I preached with... We had in that vicinity some...

In those days there lived in Vealtown a Christian woman named Scott, from New York City, a person of wealth, intelligence, hospitality and an intense Methodist. She had a son by the name of R. A. Mitchell by a former husband who, with his family, lived with her. Mr. Mitchell was a humorist. His vivacity, his mother's piety and their cordial hospitality made their home a most attractive place for the travelling preachers of that period. I usually availed myself of it when I preached on the mountain."

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LINDENBERRY,			MACKLOW,	Anna Mary	41
	Clarence Collet	29		Isaac	41
	Fanny Etta	29	MADISON,	Edward	19,41
LINNBURY,	Augusta	21		Linn Y.	19,41
	George	21		Melinda	41
LIST,	Carrie	18	MARTIN,	Effie B.	28
	Emma J.	20		Lydia	42
	Isaac	13	MATTOX,	Charles W.	22
	Mahlon G.	18		Ellen	7
	Pheba	7		Emma E.	22
LITTLE,	Martha A.	21	MAYBERRY,	Andrew	26
	Mary	26		Sadie	26
LOREE,		7	MEEKER,	Emma L.	24
(Lore)	Carrie Zeek	11		Jennie Hayden	27
	Ezra C.	7		Marg. A.	24
	Freddie Mills	13		Minnie F.	26
	G. Harvey	7		Wm. H.	24
	G. N.	11,13	MELICH,	Angeline	19
	Harriet	11,13	(Meelich)	Augusta	21
	Henry	7,39	MERCHANT,	Daniel P.	38
	Mary Ann	7		Frank	38
	Mary P.	7		Orbiletta	38
	Nancy	7	MESLER,	Sarah	7
	Nancy P.	7		Sarah E.	22
	Phebe	7		William H.	7
LOSEY,	Katherine	48	MILBURN,	Amelia D.	19
LOUNSBURY,	Charles Everett	27	MILLEN,	Daniel	2,3,4,
	Mary Elizabeth	27			7,36
	Juliette	27		Marinda	7,37
	Sarah Jane	27		Robert	36
	Wm. James	27		Sarah	36
LOWERY,	Joseph A.	16,26	MILLER,	Malinda C.	27
(Lowry)	Mary	26	MILLIGAN,	Ella	42
See	Mary Eudora	29	MITCHELL,	R. A.	50
Lowrie	Robert	16	MITCHELL,	Rodrich A.	3
	Sarah	16	MOLTON,	David W.	28
	Thomas Henry	16		Emma	28
	Thomas, Sr.	16	MOONEY,	Caroline	46
	William F.	16,29		Faith Emerson	46
LOWRIE,	Margaret	28		George (Rev.)	27,46
See Lowery				Wandell McMaster	46
LUDLOW,	Caroline	7			





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	David	45		Samuel H.	26
	Gladys	45	NIXON,	Charles	14
	Hannah	45		George O.	21
	John	44,45		Myra	21
	Joseph	45		Sarah H.	39
	Martha	45	NORRIS,	Louisa	16,26
	Mary	44	NORWOOD,	John E.	26
	Thomas	45		Louisa (?)	26
	William H. (Rev.)	25,44		O.	
MORISON,	James	31			
MORRIS,	George E.	15	ODELL,	Hester A.	19
	Henrietta	7	OLIVER,		34,49
	Louisa	16			50
	Malinda A.	7		Francis	16,32
	Mary	15			41
	Mary A.	7		Margaret	41
	Samuel J. (Rev.)	17		Mary	41,42
MORROW,	Wm. T.	2,3		Mary Elizabeth	41
MOSIER,	Harriet	21		May	16
MOTT,	Elisha B.	31		Nellie Seymour	16,34
MURDICK,	P. H. (Rev.)	28	OMSTED,	Nancy C.	17
MURPHY,	Franklin (Hon.)	41,42	OSBORN,	Harriet	37
	Elizabeth	41		Mary J.	22,44
	Mc.			William	22,44
			OSMUN,	Edw.	11
McCOLLUM,	Catherine Smith	29		Lewis M.	11
McCOWAN,	W. S. (Rev.)	29		Ruth	11
McCURDY,	Alice	22	OVERFIELD,	Martha H.	18
	Frank	22		Moses D.	18
	J. H.	22		P.	
McDOUGAL,	Anna Alma	26			
	Benj. B.	26	PALMER,	Anna M.	24
	Catherine A.	10		Edward A.	24
	Jemima	7	PARKS,	Alice	22
	Johanne H.	12		Carrie	18
McKINSTRY,	Catherine	10		Emory Williard	28
	Mary	18		Ida	22
	William	10		Marion Josephine	28
McLAIN,	Georgianna	26		Mary	18
McMICHAEL,	John E.	25		Robert M.	18
	Louise Orilla	25		Wm. F.	22
McMURTRY,	Grace Bertha	27	PARSONS,	Robert Sr.	31
McVEY,	Mary L.	24	PARVIN,	B. O. (Rev.)	17
	Searing T.	24	PEARSON,	Elmira	7,13
McWILLIAMS,	Clara B.	28	(Pierson)	George	7,13
	Jos. M.	28		Geo. O.	21
	N.			Isaac	40
				Mary E.	13
NELSON,	Carla Louisa	30		Myra	21
	Sadie	26		Rhoda	40
				William H.	13





PELL,	Georgianna	20	POULSON,	Cornelius	14,15
	John Mann	20		Hattie Bell	15
PEPPARD,	Clara J.	48		Lydia	14,15
(Peppord)	Cora W.	7		Nellie May	14
	Harriet	37	PRUDEN,	Arthur G.	26
	John	4,7,		Isabella B.	13
		32,37		Jennie Hayden	27
	Mary	7,37		John Henry	27
<del>Susanna</del>	Rosenna	37		Sarah E.	26
	William	37		Q.	
PERRY,	Lizzie	29			
PETERMAN,	Marg. A.	24	QUIMBY,	Amy	25
	Wilhelmina	30		Edw.	22
PHILHOWER,	Angeline	19		Edw. M.	20
	Catherine Smith	29		Emma J.	20
	David	19		John Henry	25
	Desmond Roy	29		John S.	2,3
	Elines	27		R.	
	Wm. Kutcher	27			
PHILLIPS,	John	16	RANSON,	Jerry	25
	May	17	(Colored)	Katie	25
	Wm. H.	16	RAY,	Malinda C.	27
PHOENIX,	Jane	7		Wm. H.	27
(Phenix)	Jennie	16	RAYGAN,	Annie E.	21
	J. V.	14	REDNER,	Jennie	27
	Mary Alice	20		Joel	27
	Minnie	14	REGEN,	Edward H.	17
	Wm. S.	12		Fanny E.	17
PICKEL,	Geo. H.	26	REEVES,	George Etta	14
	Luretta	26		Harriet	14
PIGERY,	Katie	25	REIBIGHEISOR,	John H.	22
(Colored)				Sarah E.	22
PITNEY,	Cortland	11	REID,	Frank Elmer	27
	Ella	11		Sarah Minnie	27
	Lydia	11	REYNOLDS,	Adaline	8
	Susan	7,11		Adeline B.	17
PLATT,	Chas.	37		Catherine	8
POLL,	Sarah	14		Chas.	8
POLON,	H. B.	17		Clara	27
POOL,	Abby A.	13		C. W.	4
	Annie	19		John	4,8
	Charlotte	19		Malinda	8
	George	13		Wm. Henry	27
POPE,	Mary J.	25	RICE,	Lyman	10
	Wm. E.	25	RIDGWAY,		34,35
PORTER,	Mary Ida	23	RIKER,	Addie	23
POTTER,	Annie	21		Mary A.	19
	Chas.	21		Stephen	19
	Sarah C.	24			
	Warren D.	24			



RILEY,	Harriet Ann	11	SKINNER,	Sarah A.	8
ROBBINS,	Rosa	27	SLIKER,	Lydia Lulu	30
RODEFELLER,	Sarah Estella	30	SMALLWOOD,	John H.	23
	Walter	30		Sallie E.	23
ROFF,	Enoch	8	SMITH,	Andrew Jackson	27
	Enoch Jr.	32		Ann Eliza	8
	Robert	14		Annie A.	19
ROSENKRANS,	Albertina	25		Eva	27
ROY,	Emma May	24		George W.	25
	Emma R.	18		Georgianna	16
RUSSELL,	Alice S.	20		Henry C.	19
	S. K. (Rev.)	19		Nettie E.	25
	S.			Sedwick R.	8
SANDERS,	Francis	8	SPENCER,	Elizabeth G.	33
	Oliver W.	24	SPERY,	Lewis W.	17
	Sarah	24		Mary J.	17
SAVAGE,	Daniel	10	SPONG,	Anna A.	29
	Gideon Edgar	27		Earl	29
	Marg't.	8,11	STACKHOUSE,	Ella Odenheimer	25
	Mary L.	10	STANBURROUGH,		32
	Mary Luella	27	STARR,	Eliza	18
	Sarah J.	21	STEELMAN,	Sarah	22
SAYRE,	Harriet	17	STEVENS,	Albert	28
SCHENCK,	Aaron	8,11		Lydia	28
	Ada L.	29	STEWART,	Louisa	20
	Henry Drake	11		Wm.	20
	Julia	8,11	STINSON,	Archibald	41
SCHOFIELD,		50		Elizabeth	41
	Mary M.	26		Eva	41
	Oliver F.	26		Harriet	41
SCOTT,		50		Mary	16,27
SEAL,	Gertrude	20			41,42
SEARLES,	Minnie F.	26	STITES,	Nellie	41
	Robert D.	26		Amy Florence	25
SEELEY,	Eliza	48		Susan A.	17
(Seelye)	Isaac M.	48	STOKES,	M. C. (Rev.)	3
	Nathan	48	STRATTON,	Joseph	14
	Sarah	48		Lizzie R.	14
SENEY,	Geo. I.	42,49		T. R. (Rev.)	19
SHERMAN,	Effie B.	28	STRINGHAM,	Lewis	10,11
	George B.	28	STURGIS,	Martha A.	21
SHIPLEY,	Madeline Anna	29		Walter R.	21
	Wilbur C.	29	SUTTON,	Anna Alma	26
SIMONS,	Annie E.	21		Carrie	26
	George	21		George E.	26
SIMPSON,	G. M. (Rev.)	20		Georgianna	26
SISCO,	Halmagh	31		Harry H.	25
SKELLINGER,	Anna	23		Katie	25
SKILLHORN,	Caroline	8		Martha J.	10
(Skilhorn)	Lucretia	8		Percy Ella	26
				Walter	26





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SWOCK,	Fanny Etta	29	TILLMAN,	Catherine	21
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TAGGERT	Anna M.	20,41	TOBLEMAN,	Henry	34
	George L.	20,41	TODD,	Luretta	26
TAYLOR,	Martha	43	TOUMINEN,	Anna A.	29
	Mary	48	TOUSON,	Nellie May	26
	Nathan	48	TOWLEN,	Aaron	19
TEETS,	Elizabeth Hurle	30		Abbie	19
	Lawrence Frederick	30	TROWBRIDGE,	Josie O.	20
THOMAS,	Alfred	20		Wm. Henry	20
	Alfred (Colored)	8	TRUAX,	May	8
THOMPSON,	Abigail	36,40	TUTTLE,	Samuel (Rev.)	11
	Alice	38,40		U.	
	Barnabas B.	8,39	URMY,	Herbert	45
	Bertha	40		Keith Newman	45
	Clara S.	8,13		Marion	45
	Clarence	40		Marion Mabel	45
	Clifford	40		Ralph B. (Rev.)	26,42
	Cornelia	38,40,43			45
	Daniel Haines	36,39,40		Ralph B. Jr.	45
	Dorothy	40		Thomas Van Orden	45
	Edward	38		V.	
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	Elizabeth	8,39	VAN ARSDALE,	Sarah	36,41
	Emma C.	8,40	VAN DEVER,	Nellie	30
	Frank Groff	14	VAN DOREN?	Daniel H.	26
	George	39		Nellie May	26
	Hannah M.	19,39	VAN DYKE,	Edith May	25
	Homer	40		Joseph Jr.	25
	Howard	40		Josie O.	20
	John	38	VAN HORN,	Richard (Rev.)	49
	Jonathan	40	VANNETTA,	Anna M.	12
	Lewis	41	VAN NEST,	Anna Belle	24
	Lucy	38		Henry D.	18
	Mary	38,39,40		Jerome R.	24
	Phebe Phillips	39		Mabel	29
	Philemon	4,8,32 38,40		Ruth	18
	Rebecca	41	VAN ZILE,	Nellie	30
	Rhoda	40		Walter	30
	Sarah	26,38,39		W.	
	Sarah Crane	36,39	WALDRON,	Christopher	11
	William	8,39,40		Sarah	9,11
	Wm. J.	19,39	WALLEN,	Mary	8
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(Tiger)	Estella D.	28			





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	Joseph Hoffman	30
WALTER,	George	24
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WASHBURN,	Jacob	21, 38
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WATKINS,	Ella	15
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WEIGAND,	Anna	23
	Henry	23
	Mary Nancy	28
WELCHMAN,	Laurana	8
	Robert	8
WESTERVELT,	Anna M.	17
	Garrett H.	17
WHEELER,	Alice	48
	Elmira	17
	Emery N.	9
	Emory A.	17
	G. L.	48
	Isaac W.	2
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	Nettie E.	22
WHITEFIELD,	Alicia	43
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WILLIAMS,	Hannah	9
(William)	Mary	44
WILSON,	Emma E.	22
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WILSON,	Lizzie S.	19
	Mary	22, 23
	Mary H.	23
	Robert	23
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WINANS,	Eben M. D.	23
	Mary Ida	23
WISNER,	(Rev.)	3
WOLFE,	Camela J.	18
	John B.	18
WOOD,	Sally	34
WOODHOUSE,	Amanda	41
	James	41
WOODHULL,	Clara Little	30
WOODRUFF,	Ada L.	29
	Charles	8
	Charles L.	18
	Charles S.	37, 38
	Clarence	38
	David	29
	Eliza	8, 10,
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	Frank Herbert	27
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	Laura B.	37
	Loanna B.	18
	Louella	27
	Mary	37
	May	37
	Robert	4, 8, 10,
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WORCESTER,	Gen.	47
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WORTMAN,	Edward L.	22
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